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Tories warn Major: Election threat is set to backfire

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BY NICHOLAS WOOD AND SHEILA GUNN

JOHN Major reaffirmed his determination last night to risk the future of his government on the outcome of the Maastricht bill, in spite of warnings from senior party igures that his gamble could backfire badly on the Tory

As he flew back to London, the prime minister was unrepentant about his implicit threat to hold a general elec-tion if the bill fails. He was strongly supported by Ken-neth Clarke, the home

However, some ministers and advisers urged Downing Street to ease off yesterday as they fear that such bullish tactics could recoil on the government. One ministerial aide commented: "We could not believe it when we saw the prime minister doing this, as it hands Labour the opportunity to do a U-turn and vote against us. It also gives the

Remembering in the desert.

John Major and a German government minister presided over ceremonies in the desert yesterday, marking the 50th anniversary of the Battle of El Alamein Page 2

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thing we want to portray to the sceptics."

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In a BBC interview gesterday the prime maissier spoke about the economy and dropped heavy hints that in

dropped heavy hints that in-terest rates would be brought down. However, he appeared to rule out an early return to the European exchange rate

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In the London rain: Around 200,000 miners and supporters defy torrential rain and wind to march in Hyde Park in one of the biggest demonstrations the capital has seen

industry," he said. "Every 1 per cent off interest rates means more money in the pockets of people with mort-gages to spend in the high streets. The prime minister added that further cuts would be made when it was prudent to do so and tight restraints on public spending would be

As the Conservative dispute over Europe entered a new, menacing phase, the prime minister's aides made clear that they believed his threat to call a snap election if he loses the Maastricht bill this winter has worked. "The message has got across where it's needed," said one senior British official travelling with the prime min-ister as he flew back to London from Egypt. There was, however, some apprehension within his entourage as Mr Major returned from the commemoration services to mark the

fiftieth anniversary of the victory at El Alamein. Mr Major has been considering whether he should make a television broadcast to explain to voters his enthusiasm for the treaty. He has, however, held back so far for fear that such a move would be seen as an admission that he

faced another crisis and was resorting to panic measures.

Mr Major also wants to

make clear that backbench sniping over Europe under-mines his negotiating position in tough bargaining about jobs and prosperity with his European Community part-ners. He is believed to have told friends that it is very "hard pounding" and "you cannot do that unless you have the guns behind you". He said that he wanted the guns pointing at his counterparts at not at the small of his own

Mr Clarke issued his own warning to the Tory rebels yesterday, telling them that they cannot be the tail that wags the dog". Speaking on Radio 4's The World This Weekend, he said: "The government retains its authority if its party accepts a reasonable level of self-discipline — that is

what whipping is for. "I hope people will realise that you cannot force a serious government crisis when the cabinet sticks to its stated policy and wishes to proceed with a bill that had a majority of 244 when it first came before the House."

Mr Clarke dismissed arguments put forward by Eurosceptics that the government could continue undamaged if the Maastricht bill was thrown out. "I think the government's



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Don't hold your breath, the world will end on August 14

BY NICK NUTTALL, TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

AUGUST 14, 2116 was tentatively pencilled into the calendar yesterday as a date for Armageddon.

While some believe manmade pollution or a nuclear war may bring civilisation to a close, the cad of the world is more likely to come in the shape of a huge chunk of ice and dost called Swift-Tottle's comet, the second Australian Space Development Confer-

ence was told yesterday.

New calculations of the orbit of the comet, which was rediscovered this year and is believed responsible for the annual meteor shower known as the Perseids, indicate that its likely date of impact with Farth is August 14, 2116, said David Steel of the Anglo Anstralian Observatory.It is not known if the collision will come in the morning or

Dr Steel, an expert on asteroids and leader of the world's second largest team involved in sighting new pieces of celestial debris, said that although the threat seemed remote when compared with life's daily strug-



gles, the danger to future generations needed thought. "It would create an impact force of 20 million mega-tonnes, or about 1.6 million times the force of the bomb dropped on Hirothima," he told delegates. "Hopefully we personally are safe, our children are safe and even our grandchildren are safe. But it

appears that our great grand-children are not safe." Brian Marsden of the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics said a worldwide effort was needed to confirm the calculations.

The size of Swift-Tuttle, which is travelling at 130,000 mph, is calculated at between three and six miles wide. The chance of collision is calculated at one in 400. Scientists Continued on page 3, col 4

Bush-Clinton gap 5 points

to single figures in opinion polls at the weekend. A surge of support for Ross Perot began to threaten Mr Clinton's decisive advantage, with a CBS-New York Times poll cutting his lead to just five points. The Democrat contender scored 40 per cent, Mr Bush 35 and Mr Perot 15 per cent in the poll. Mr Perot alleged yesterday that he had been driven from the cam-

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scale is revealed in a EC report by 12 financial experts. A draft of the next annual report of the EC's Court of Auditors uncovers slack financial monitor-

200,000 marching in the rain

for miners By Peter Victor

AND JOHN VINCENT THE largest demonstration in the capital's recent history yesterday saw up to 200,000 people march through central London for a rally in Hyde

Park to urge the government to adandon pit closures.
In scenes reminiscent of the Pavarotti in the Park concert, demonstrators from all over the country hunched under anorak hoods and umbrellas and surrounded by muddy pools of water in torrential rain, to hear John Smith, the Labour leader, demand that John Major visits the pits earmarked for closure.

The two-mile march from the Embankment to Hyde Park Corner was headed by TUC stewards, followed by miners from Selby, Yorkshire, and prominent members of the Labour party, including Margaret Beckett, the deputy leader. The stream of marchers took several hours to file into the park. Bands, including a Scots pipe corps, a brass ensemble and some playing Third World drum music. lifted dampened spirits.

Actors such as Frances de la Tour, members of the cast of London's Burning and Billy Bragg, the singer-songwriter, marched together with politi-cians, trade unionists and families out to express their support for the miners. The Labour leader did not

join the masses in the downpour but was waiting at the platform. Mr Smith challenged the prime minister to visit a coalfield. "Ask about the reserves of coal which would be abandoned, and think about the suppliers and all these British companies and workers who would lose their jobs."To cheers he added : Speak to the miners whose skills are unique and irreplace able, and above all visit their families and think of what will happen to them.

Last night, Downing Street said Mr Major had not been to a mine during his office as prime minister.

The man who broke the Bank of **England**

BY ANATOLE KALETSKY

GEORGE Soros, the Hungarian-American financier made \$950 million (£589 million) profit out of the devaluation of sterling. Mr Soros told The Times that his \$6 billion funds made a further \$1 billion out of the recent turbulence in other

He said he was so confident that the pound would fail, despite John Major's assurances to the contrary, that he borrowed heavily in order to bet \$10 billion against sterling. The government had no chance of defending the exchange rate because the recession had made it economically unsustainable and because the Bundesbank was known to fayour a lower pound, he said.

Mr Soros added that he had not yet bought back all the sterling he sold because he expected the pound to fall somewhat further. But he said that Mr Major's apparent conversion to growth-oriented policies could eventually underpin sterling and lead to a non-inflationary economic recovery in Britain.

Mr Soros is known in Russia and eastern Europe for his Open Society Fund, scholarships to Oxford and Cambridge, and the Central European University

US plots French revenge

AMERICA is preparing to impose import tariffs of \$300 million on French products by the first week of December, in retaliation against European Community farm subsidies (Martin Fletcher writes). If the EC does not retreat, tariffs will be expanded to cover \$1 billion in EC goods, probably

triggering a transatiantic trade war and killing any hope of a Gatt deal. The Bush administration believes Paris principally responsible for the breakdown of talks aimed at reducing EC subsidies which have prevented conclusion of a 108-nation Gatt deal Page 12 .Free trade call, page 37

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Prime minister finds new friends in the desert and new enemies closer to home

Major plays for high stakes with threat to call an election

POLITICAL EDITOR

THREATS of a general elec-tion if the government loses the bill ratifying the Maas-tricht treaty should not be taken too seriously. They are part of a propaganda cam-paign ahead of the Commons debate on November 4 that will pave the way for the start

Everyone is sabre-rattling: John Major with his warnings of what might happen if the government is defeated as much as Tory opponents of the bill with their claims that this is a one-off issue. The Labour leadership is caught between its reluctance to compromise its pro-European Community credentials and is desire to take advantage of Mr Major's difficulties by joining Tory Euro-sceptics to

defeat the government. If the government lost the vote next week. Mr Major would immediately seek a vote of confidence from the Commons, which he would win. He has been careful to seek cabinet approval for each stage of his European policy. as he did again last Thursday. In theory, the whole cabinet the bill could also run into the ground in the spring after little

Everyone is sabre-rattling over Europe: the cabinet with its dire warnings of defeat and Tory opponents, claiming it is a one-off issue

progress. The government might not be able to secure a

But, on what he has turned into an issue of personal confidence, Mr Major's authority would be substantially, and possibly fatally, weakened by a defeat on November 4 or a stalemate next spring. Alternative Tory leaders are all even more committed to the Community than him.

The threat to call an election may stiffen Labour's resolve and anyway is implausible given the government's un-popularity over the economy. However, on past constitutionwith a majority in the Com-mons, as Mr Major could demonstrate by a confidence motion, can seek a dissolution of parliament and a fresh election almost at any stage, using the pretext of such a central issue. Stanley Baldwin did so in 1923, just a year after the previous general election. The Tories adopted a tariff reform platform, and were defeated, opening the way for the first Labour government.

jorities, admittedly very small within two years of a previous general election are 1951, when Labour lost, and 1966. when Labour won.

an empty one, the government would be seriously damaged by the defeat of the Maastricht bill whatever happened on a confidence vote. The Euro-sceptics are being disingenuous, and in some cases hypocritical, in pretending that their vote on the bill does not affect the government's long-term position, or their affection for Mr Major himself. Many would privately be delighted to get rid of him. The odds are that the gov-

ernment will win next week and that the bill will be ratified. But the stakes are high. Ministers are reminding Tory MPs of what they stand to lose by opposing Maastricht. In the process, they are leaving themselves little way out.

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Veteran returns: John Major chats with Alf Sutton, 75, a New Zealander who lost both less in 1942.

Major opens poppy appeal at El Alamein

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN EL AVAMEIN

A VARIED cast including the Duke of Kent, John Major, a minor German cabinet minister, Sir Harry Secombe, 2,000 veterans and Mohammed, purveyor of overpriced com-memoration T-shirts, gath-ered under the cruel desert sun yesterday to mark the battle of El Alamein.

research, Dr. Heinz Riesenhuber, presided over the first of the two main and the bleak desert where over 200,000 fighting men

victims of that combat. As well as grim memories of the battle, which began with the simultaneous firing of 1,000 heavy Kighth Army guns on the cloudless night of October 23, 1942, there were

also reminiscences of lighter moments, drunking Stella beer at such Cairo chibs as the Pam Pam, the Melody and the Victory or eating ice-cream at Groppis in thinperatures of 90 degrees, in of the veterans gazed across the endless sand and wonsurvived on rations of one pint of water a day.

Mr Major, who read a lesson from St John's gospel, also launched the 1992 poppy appeal by presenting popples to three British women wid-

Labour plays guessing game

BY SHIETLA GUNN

TFIE Labour leadership made THE Labour leadership made clear yesterday that it will not rescue John Major if he makes votes on the Maastricht treaty an issue of confidence in himself and his government.

As the political poker game over Europe intensified, Labour is refusing to play into Mr. Major's hands by declaring its tactics in the crucial votes on

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actics in the crucial votes on the treaty. Although key party figures kinted at a softening in Labour's pro-Maastricht line, John Smith, the Labour leader, is standing firm behind a "keep them guessing"

strategy.
However, the sources con-ceded that Mr Major's highrisk "back me or sack me" tactics on Maastricht would be was not in the business of saving Mr Major's skin. Mr Smith and Paddy Ashdown, the Liberal Democrat leader are loath to appear opportun-ist by jettisoning their Euro-pean policies and siding with Tory Euro-sceptics. However. there were fresh demands within Labour's ranks yesterday that any chance to bring down the government over Europe must not be allowed to

Commons on Maastricht on November 4 and the line-byin late November. However. until Labour leaders see the wording of the motion for debate and the amendments to the bill, no battle plan can

Among Labour's options is to vote against the govern-ment because the bill is being returned to the Common before Denmark's position and the issue of subsidiarity have been cleared up. An alternative could be to vote against the bill at some stage in protest at Britain's opt-outs on monetary union and the social chapter.

"We are not shifting our ground: the prime minister is shifting his," a senior Labour aide said yesterday. "Our strat-egy is to keep them guessing. We will say nothing until we have to."

The prime minister is more likely to be backed by the 20 Ashdown aide said: "We want to do what we can to get the treaty ratified so we are not going to play silly buggers as Labour seems to be doing. Our tactics are designed to try to get the treaty ratified as quickly as possible."

Thatcher comeback lined with pitfalls and traps

By JOHN GRIGG

ACCORDING to a report in The Sunday Times, "close friends" of Baroness Thatcher are suggesting that she might try to return as prime minister should John Major and his government be defeated on Maastrict in the House of Commons. All that would be needed, it is said, would be for the Commons to pass a two-line bill allowing her to

renounce her life peerage".
It would not, surely, be quite as simple as that. Mr Major has indicated that, if the Commons were to reverse its original vote in favour of Maastricht, he would go to the country; and there can be little doubt that if he were to ask for a dissolution the Queen would grant his request.

If all, or most of, his cabinet. colleagues were to tell him they were utterly opposed to an appeal to the country in present circumstances, he night, it is true, decide to resign as prime minister rather than ask for a dissolution. But is there any reason to suppose that, in that event, Conservative MPs would turn to Lady Thatcher?

Only if a majority of them were suddenly to be converted to Lady Thatcher's views on the European Community (and to forget her massive contribution to the party's, and the country's, present weakness), would she be a serious candidate for the lead-ership. And then, even her strongest supporters might have good practical reasons for doubting the wisdom of voting for her.

Having made the mistake of accepting a peerage and for-feiting her base in the House of Commons, she would, if elected, have to serve at first as leader of the party and prime minister in the Lords or in

tional objection to such an desirable in our democracy to have a prime minister not answerable to the Commons,

even for a matter of weeks.

Moreover, would it be as easy as it was for Lord Home to secure democratic respectability by winning a seat in the Commons? Nowadays there are few, if any, safe seats, and anyway constituencies deeply resent being deprived of a member they have recently elected, to make way for some VIP who it may suit the party to foist on them.

Even if a sacrificial victim could be found occupying a seat that might appear to be safe, there could be no guaran-tee that she would win it. Quite apart from any personally adverse factors, a resentful constituency and the general state of politics today might com-bine to defeat her. The party would indeed be in a mess.

The most celebrated come-

back by a former leader in modern British history is that of Gladstone in 1880. When his first government fell in 1874 he resigned the Liberal leadership, which was then exercised for a time by Lond Hartington (a courtesy title) in the House of Commons.

In 1879 he changed his seat

winning a sensational byelection at Midlothian, after stirring public opinion to the depths with his denunciations of Turkish atrocities, which he was able to associate with the foreign policy of the Tory prime minister. Disraeli. When the Liberals returned to power the following year, Gladstone was asked to come back as leader and became prime minister for the second time, with still two further

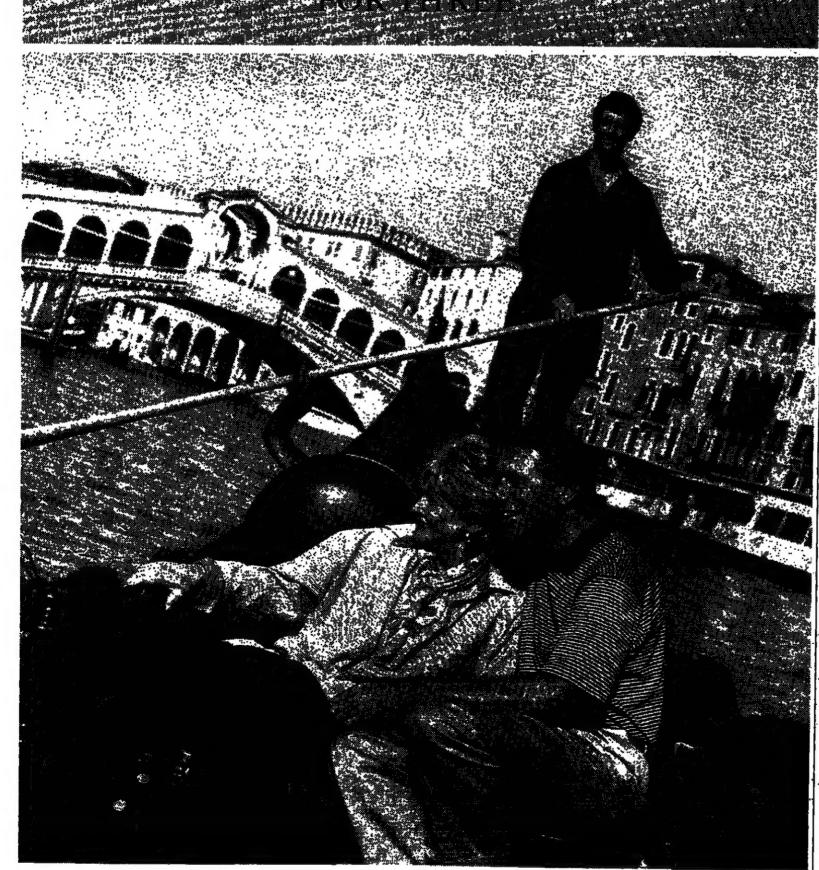
premierships to go.
The Gladstonian precedent can be regarded as encouraging to Lady Thatcher only in one small respect; she was the same age, when she ceased to be prime minister, as Gladstone was in 1874. In other ways her situation is crucially different. Whereas Gladstone refused a peerage and stayed in the House of Commons, Lady Thatcher has taken the opposite course. Moreover, after 1874 the Liberals were in eral election; today the Conser-

vatives have recently won one.

If — which seems unlikely—
Lady Thatcher manages to
liberate herself from the House of Lords, one thing at least is sure, she will not follow Gladstone in seeking a by-



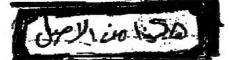




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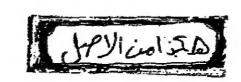


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Memory lane: Stan Barstow adding recollections.

Instant book digs into black humour and bright memories

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A JOKE is going round the puls and working men's clubs of Grimethorpe. A huge factory is opening down the road, it says, and will employ 30,000 men to make 85,000 mothballs. The men will showel the mothballs into the pit "and dig them up again when the politicians realise that we really do need British coal". Humour, as black and bit-

plus family histories, anec-dotes and stories about the colliery's last days.
The first copies of the "book-in-a-day". produced from this raw material and submissions by artists, poets and writers, came off the presses 15 hours after the work began. They were sent to London yesterday to be read by miners on the march.

Yorkshire Art Circus set out

to record it at the weekend, The art circus founder, Brian Lewis, acted on the request of Mel Dyke, the local secondary school deputy head, who felt that the village had a seam of history as rich as the coal and that the stories had to be recorded before it was too late. "We wanted to tell part of the life

and, sadly, part of the death of a great little mining com-

against closure.

the pit shaft, abounds in the The book was conceived as murity like Grimethorpe," South Yorkshire village. The part record and part weapon, she said. a morale raiser in the fight

Her father had arrived in the 1930s as a "brilliant centre-forward" wooed by the pit football team. That was another reason for doing this. for my father."

The Willowgarth school, perched on a hill overlooking the pit, had never received such attention. As project headquarters - British Coal would not let the writers use the pit canteen - it received visits from Rodney Bickerstaffe, general secretary of the National Union of Public charcoal Employees, the Bishop of Wakefield, the Rt Rev Nigel McCulloch, and several MPs.

Messages of support came from Yorkshire's Michael Parkinson, Norman Willis, the general secretary of the TUC, the writers Barry Hines and Trevor Griffiths and the actor Brian Blessed. The anthor Stan Barstow worked away in a corner of the dining hall and an industrial artist, Harry Malkin, depicted the

Barstow, author of A Kind of Loving, said that the bookin a day was not supposed to be romantic or sentimental, but if the voices contained within it provoked an emotional response, so much the better. "It captures the oral testimony of what it was like and there is a great emotional charge, an emotional level which people are moved by and have latched on to already," he said.

£300m for ill pitmen 'held back'

By SHELLA GUNN POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

A LABOUR MP will demand a Commons statement today ernment is holding back publication of an official report calling for £300 million com-pensation for sick and dying

Alf Morris, Labour's spokesman for the disabled and veteran campaigner for social rights, said yesterday that he believes ministers are delaying the report to save the cost of paying compensation to miners who contracted the respiratory diseases emphysema and bronchitis. About 50,000 miners are understood to be entitled to claim an average of £5,000 each.

Mr Morris's allegations are based on a leaked memorandum from an industry official warning ministers of the po-tential compensation costs of following the recommenda-tions made by the Industrial Injuries Advisory Council to

ministers in August.
According to the memoran-dum, dated October 8, the longer the delay in legally resisting the daims, the lower the compensation costs because fewer miners would survive. The industry department refused to comment on the document.

Mr Morris said yesterday: "This is a shabby manoeuvre to cheat people who have been made chronically sick by their work. Many have to struggle to breathe and now have to pay even for the nebulisers that can ease their plight. Government inaction demonstrates again its contempt for Britain's miners."

London's march for miners brings out 200,000 protesters

By PETER VICTOR AND JOHN VINCENT

IN AN extraordinary demonstration of disaffection with government policies, hun-dreds of thousands of people from all walks of life marched through the centre of London yesterday to support miners who are facing the dole.

Twice as many people as expected braved torrential rain, in a rally which dwarfed those held when fury at the poll tax was at its height. Though many undoubtedly stayed at home because of heavy rain, Scotland Yard said it was the largest march and rally London had seen for

many years. Up to 200,000 people turned out. Thousands of others watched from the shelter of shop and hotel doorways as the rain-soaked protesters made their way to a Hyde Park ankle deep in mud. Leading Labour politand pop stars marched shoulder to shoulder with bankers and boilermen, car workers and caretakers, doctors and

Many marched under the rain-soaked banners of the big unions. Many more represented smaller unions and a wide range of organisations. Rarely, if ever, have Port of London dockers marched in such harmony alongside the London Lesbian and Gay Switchboard; computer experis, teachers and insurance brokers alongside plumbers.

Despite the foul weather they turned out in vast numbers to strengthen the gale of protest sweeping through the government's policies

lorry drivers and postmen. Political lobbies, mainly from Labour and the Liberal Dem-Monster Raving Loonies marched . Their leader, Screaming Lord Sutch, accompanied by a man in a Spatting Image style John Major mask, proclaimed through a megaphone: "Only madmen close pits."
Bryn Jenkins left Penzance

at 4.45am to ensure that his voice was heard on the march. Undeterned by a ten-hour, 600-mile round-trip, Mr Jen-kins said: "It's worth it just to voice my protest on behalf of Cornwall, which has been very hard hit by the recession." Mr Jenkins has had a variety of jobs since being made redundant from his trade as a printer.

Des Trehearne, a Trans-port and General Workers' Union official in Gloucestershire, said his protest was about job losses in general. It's not just the miners, it's building, engineering and health service workers and people in manufacturing

Bill Jordan, president of the Amalgamated Engineering Union, which had between 5,000 and 10,000 members in the rally, said: "We believe something like half a million jobs have gone in the last year to 18 months from manufac-

turing and engineering."

John Akker, acting general
secretary of the Association of
University Teachers, said:
"People see the plight of the
miners as symptomatic of a
much wider malaise afflicting

British society."

John Pitts, 34, travelled from Colchester, Essex, to register his "outrage" at jobs losses and Adrian Larkman, 30, of west London, who lost his job as a gardener with Westminster council on Fri-day, said: "I am here simply because I hate to see Britain

ASTUTE travellers on tomor-

row's kinchtime flight from London to Strasbourg will

notice an unlikely pair chat-

movement's fiercest enemies,

are joining forces to present

ting to each other.

Union enemies unite as Scargill treads moderate path BY NICHOLAS WATT the miners' case to the European Parliament's energy

With memories of their clash at this month's Labour party conference fresh in his mind Mr Jordan, leader of Arthur Scargill and Bill Jordan, two of the trade union the AEU, is said to be delighted, if a little astonished, by the new moderate Mr Scargill.

been left wondering whether Mr Scargill's new moderate tone has been scripted by a Svengali-like figure. His per-formance at yesterday's rally in Hyde Park and over the last two weeks certainly sug-gest that a slick PR team is delicately guiding Mr Scargill's every step.

But far from relying on a

Norman Willis, the TUC general secretary, who has sparred with Mr Scargill in the past, praised him for meticulously following the decision of his union not to strike against the pit closures. At the weekend, Mr

PR team to spruce up his

image the changes have come

entirely from Mr Scargill.

One voice: Norman Willis, the TUC leader, and John Smith, Labour's leader, sing Jerusalem at the rally

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Scargill was challenged by Dave Nellist, once one of the few MPs he supported, to His reply encapsulated the new Scargill philosophy. "We supported by a wide section of the population," he told a rally for miners at New Arley

DTI halts Guinness disclosures

By MELINDA WITTSTOCK MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

MICHAEL Heseltine halted the transmission last night of a Channel 4 documentary which was to disclose unpublished extracts from an investigation by the department of trade and industry into the 1986 Guinness scandal.

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The trade secretary obtained an ex parte injunction on Saturday preventing last night's broadcast of the second part of Greed and Glory, a series examining financial scandals of the past decade. The documentary was replaced by a repeat.

Channel 4, which agreed to pull the programme rather than re-edit it, said it would challenge the move. It will this week apply for the injunction to be lifted, in the hope that it can broadcast the programme next Sunday.

A trade and industry depart-

ment spokesman said the department had sought the concerned about any premature disclosure of the unpublished Guinness report". Under the injunction, Chan-nel 4 could not reveal the nature of Greed and Glory's revelations about the government enquiry into the Guinness scandal.

"Obviously it is of some sensitivity to the DTI. We could have cut out the offending four-minute section but as a matter of policy we decided to pull the whole programme and light it [this week]." the spokesman said. The Guinness scandal,

which involved an illegal share support scheme to help the company in its takeover bid for Distillers, led to the jailing of several senior executives including the company's former chairman and chief executive, Ernest Saunders. Greed and Glory is presented by Christopher Hird and pro-duced by Fulcrum Produc-tions, which makes business documentaries for Channel 4 and the BBC.

Other scandals in the series include the Barlow Clowes affair, the collapse of the Bank and Credit and Commerce International, and Robert Maxwell's phindering of his employees' pension funds.

Critics may slow BR sell-off plans

By MICHAEL DYNES, TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

JOHN MacGregor, the trans-port secretary, is facing grow-ing pressure to postpone the government's rail privatisa-tion plans because of scepti-cism over the viability of proposals to break up and sell off the national rail network.

The persistence of the recession, combined with the formidable complexity of the privatisation plans, is generat-ing fears that the private sector will cold-shoulder the sale of passenger and freight services. few of which make a profit. In addition, a growing number of transport analysts and Conservative hackbenchers have begun to raise the spectre of a botched privatisation pro-gramme, which they fear could have potentially disastrous consequences for the health of the economy.

Dismissing speculation that the bill authorising the sale of British Rail is to be delayed. Mr MacGregor said: "We are making good progress on the bill and there is no intention to delay it." Publication was expecied "towards the end of

Mr MacGregor's statement was greeted with "utter dismay" by Robert Adley, the Conservative chairman of the transport select committee. He called on the government to postpone introduction of the bill until the committee completes its enquiry into the proposed privatisation of the railways in the new year. Mr Adley, who last year

scepticism over the practicality of the proposals which ministers were trying to suppress by stifling debate.

The rail privatisation white paper, originally due at the end of 1991, was postponed until after the general election. "It was then published the day before the House rose for the summer recess. That was an attempt to stifle debate," Mr Adley said. The first full debate on rail privatisation is

due on Thursday.
Dismissing the transport department's recent consultation document, which out-lined how the railways might be broken up into franchises, as an "incoherent piece of civil-service jargon", Mr Adley said: "It is hard to take this document seriously." The whole thing "is based on theory - no one has any practical experience of how it might work," he added. "What happens if it doesn't

work? There are 16,000 trains a day run on the BR network in a complex framework which has been built up over generations. You cannot sweep that away without running the risk of a ghastly smash-up."

Concern over the viability of rail privatisation has heightened following the collapse of two recent private sector initiatives: Charterail, a private sector freight company which is now in receivership, and Stagecoach, which had to abandon its London-Edinburgh-Aberdeen overnight service because of lack of demand.

Comet on collision course

Continued from page 1 estimate a comet or asteriod of just a half to one mile wide could destroy between three quarters and 95 per cent of humanity.

The danger comes not just from the size of the impact but from fires, tidal waves and dust thrown into the atmosphere which, by blocking out the sun could lead to a nuclear-style winter.

Cataclysmic warnings may seem far fetched, but scientists point to the increasingly firm evidence that a roughly six-mile wide asteroid hit the Earth 65 million years ago, causing the extinction of the dinosaurs. More recently they point to an estimated 20 megatonne explosion near the Tunguska river in Siberia in June 1908 caused by a collision with a smaller piece of

cometary debris. Such scientists date mankind's view that Earth is safe from celestial intercessions partly back to relatively low level of collisions over recent centuries and the barmless disintegration of Comet Biela in 1845. This gave the Darwinian theories of evolution

the opportunity to take hold.

The disintegration of Comet Biela into dust made it no longer out of place for biologists and geologists to explain evolution in processes that were non violent and slow acting," says Victor Clube of Oxford university's astrophysics department.But to suggest that the planet is safe is absurd, he says.

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Tories give Major Maastricht warning

Continued from page I authority, if it got battered about like that, would be seriously weakened."

plans a "poll tax on wheels". said that there was widespread

diner, a member of the Tory backbench 1922 committee, advised Mr Major's aides to soften their line. The prime minister's threat to call a general election if he were defeated over the Maastricht bill was "baseless when the government could win a vote of confidence on all issues except Maastricht the next

aides must stop bullying the

Mr Churchill, who is pro-European, said: "I think it is this particular bill." he said.

day. The prime minister's an amazingly risky gamble he aides must stop bullying the is taking. It does almost invite the Labour party to join the Euro-sceptics in the Tory party to defeat the government on

Leading Conservative rebels

yesterday. James Cran, MP for Beverley, said he and his colleagues were determined to oppose the bill, whatever ministers said. "It will be trench warfare in the House of Com-





Yachtsman falls to his death as storms sweep across South

BY LYN JENKINS

A YACHTSMAN died when he was washed overboard in mountainous seas yesterday off the Isle of Wight Gales swept the South and South West, cutting electricity supplies and leaving sea rescue services severely stretched.

Coastguards who dealt with dozens of emergencies along the South Coast criticised sailors who put out to sea despite

Christopher Darwin, 33, of Yeadon, West Yorkshire, was one of five people on the 45ft Aeolian when he was thrown overboard in winds nearing 60mph. The crew failed to reach him and he was pulled unconscious from the water an hour later by the Yarmouth ifeboat near the Needles.

The remaining crew spent a further hour in the heavy seas after the steering broke on the Yarmouth lifeboat. They were rescued by the crew of a

operators of a sail training ship that put to sea with 17 cadets aboard in spite of warnings of severe weather. The 55ft ketch Donald Searle, operated by the Rona Trust, sailed from Southampton but her engine blew up about half a mile east of Chichester Harbour.

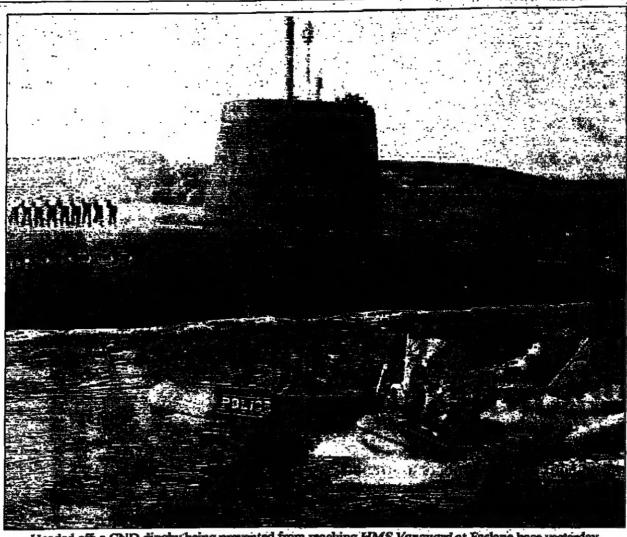
A rescue helicopter winched 16 cadets to safety and another was put aboard the Bembridge lifeboat. None of the cadets was injured. The Donald Searle later ran

aground at West Wittering. A Royal Navy Sea King rescue helicopter went to the aid of the seven crew of a dangerously listing British-owned coaster 40 miles south of the Isles of Scilly. A mayday from the 1,195-ton coaster reported that her cargo of timber had shifted. The ship was last night limping towards Falmouth.

The National Rivers Authority issued flood warnings ties yesterday as heavy rain combined with a high tide. Along the Yorkshire coast, 16 escorted back to ports in treacherous conditions by life-boats from Filey, Bridlington and Flamborough.

At Axminster, Dorset, a swan, blown off course by the gusting wind, crashed through the double-glazed bathroom window of a house and landed in the bath. Arch Rock at Freshwater

Bay on the Isle of Wight, one of the island's landmarks, has been swept away by the storms. The rock was finally eroded in the night, leaving only its sisters, Stag Rock and Mermaid Rock, standing. A Norwegian freighter car-rying over 2,000 tons of lead concentrates sank off the Dutch town of Egmond aan Zee yesterday, threatening se-rious local pollution. All six crew members of the the Nordfrakt were rescued be-



Headed off: a CND dinghy being prevented from reaching HMS Vanguard at Faslane base vesterday

Navy repels Trident protesters

BRITAIN'S first Trident submarine, HMS Vanguard, was met by a flotilla of boats filled with protesters when it arrived at the Fasiane base on the Clyde yesterday for sea

They tried to halt the submarine at the Rhu Spit, the narrowest part of the sea route into Fasiane. The 16,000 tonne vessel was protected by per own army of fast launches and helicopters in a arge security operation. One boar of protesters broke through and sailed close to the submarine's hull but was quickly moved on by a Royal Navy protection boat: Malcohn Rifkind, the de-

ience secretary, said: "The Cold war has ended but we still live in an uncertain and unstable world. Now more than ever it is vital to retain

Campaigners, many of them from Greenpeace and the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, waved posters that described the submarine as a machine of death.

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Kidnapped Briton dies in shootout

being kidnapped by guerrillas in Colombia. Peter Kessler, a project manager for a local banana export firm, was seized on Friday by five members of FARC, the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, as he left his home in Santa Marta where he has fived for 15 years.

He is believed to have died during skirmishes between the guerrillas and the army in the Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta mountains. Mr Kessler, 65, who was married to a Colombian and had two children, was killed by a shot to the throat. He worked for Tecnics Baltime, a subsidiary of the American banana company Standard Fruit.

An upsurge in violence by the left-wing guerrilla group has seen 50 people killed in Colombia in the past two weeks. Ransoms paid on kidnappings are a big source of funding for FARC operations.

Women lose in pay

Women may be failing to get the pay rises they deserve because of their bosses' stereotyped attitudes, a report says today. They expect men to be assertive, intelligent and dynamic but demand that women are organised. ependable and honest. The research by the Institute of Manpower Studies shows women are losing out because of performance measures used and the way performance rating is translated into pay. The report, funded by the Equal Opportunities Commission, says schemes introduced by some firms can be unlawful. It was based on search into schemes run by a finance company, local authority, manufacturer and catering organisation.

Poll urges Queen to act

The monarchy can survive only if the Queen gets tough with wayward members of the family, according to a new survey. She is seen as the stabilising force as the House of Windsor struggles through its worst year. A Gallup poll of women readers of Woman's Own found that 59 per cent believe the Queen is the only member of the family strong enough to steer them back on course. Only one in five say she that should abdicate in favour of the Prince of Wales. but one clear message came through —98 per cent said the civil list should be stopped, particularly as the country is in recession. Sixty-one per cent said they still had respect for the royal family.

TV's Goldie is dead

Goldie, the dog loved by millions of Blue Peter television viewers, has died, the BBC said yesterday. The golden retriever, pictured right, who was 142, took over from the popular Shep and made more than 650 appearances on the children's magazine dren's magazine pro-gramme between 1978 and 986. After that she retired to the Derbyshire home of



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Editors resist curbs

Britain will become a "haven for crooks and scoundrels" if Britain will become a "naven for crooks and scoundrets" if further restrictions on press freedom are imposed by the government, the president of the Guild of British Newspaper Editors said yesterday. David Williams, editor of the Bury Free Press in Suffolk, said new laws on privacy would be used by those with something to hide. Newspapers were under attack from all sides, he told the guild's conference in Edinburgh. He urged all sections of the press to resist further curbs.

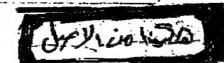
ChildLine calls for help

The children's charity, ChildLine, gave a warning yesterday that a looming financial crisis means it will have to scale down its operations. As it approaches its sixth birthday on Friday, the charity has enough funds to last only three months. Cutbacks will have to take place in the new year unless £500,000 is found by Christmas. The organisation runs a free national 24-hour helpline that has given comfort, advice and protection to more than 250,000 troubled children and young people since it was launched.

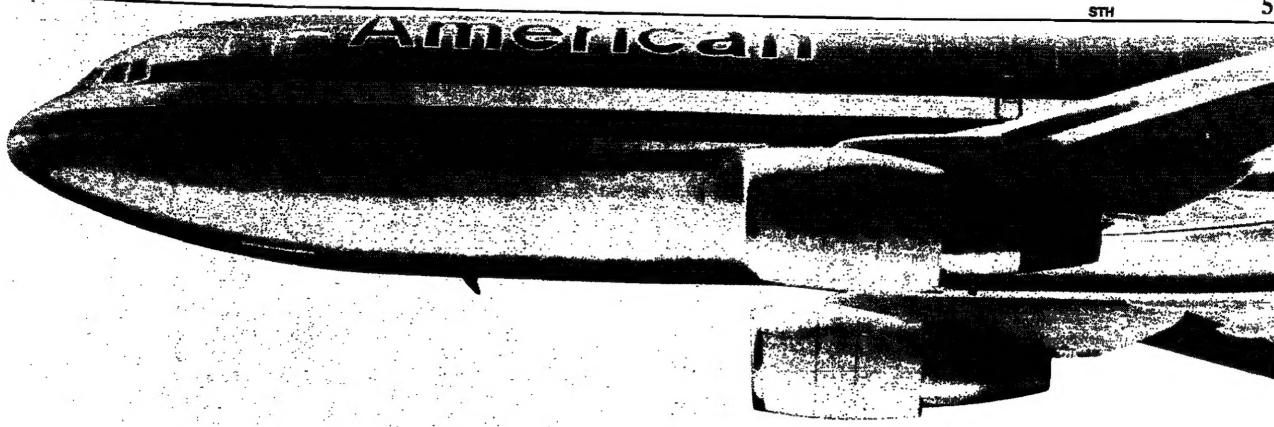
Runaway dies in crash

Derek Beavers, of Fleetwood, Lancashire, a 15-year-old absconder from a community home was killed and three others were injured when their car left a motorway and careered down an embankment yesterday on the M6 near Lancaster. Police said he was a passenger in the car, and no other vehicle was involved. Beavers and three other boys — aged 14, 15 and 16 — who were treated for minor injuries, had absconded from the Pylde Farm community me near Blackpool. The car was not listed as stolen.





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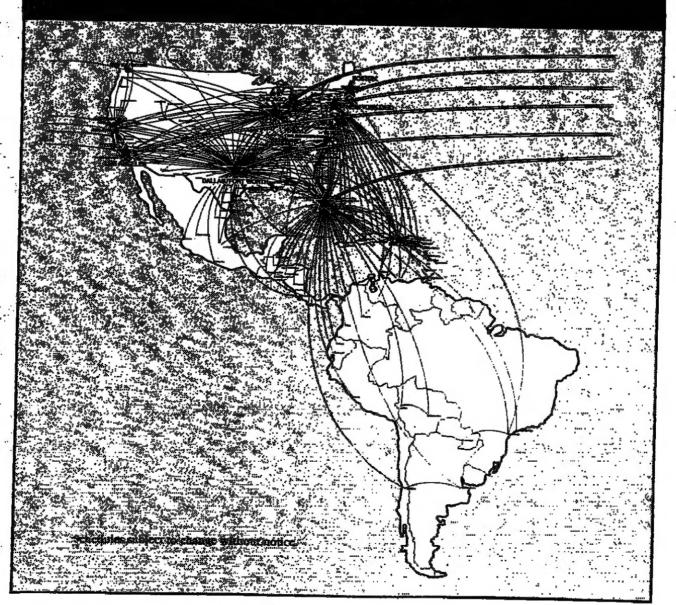
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Safari park receivers ready to give away animals

Strict criteria will be used to decide the future of the four-legged inmates of Windsor open-air zoo. With 140 jobs at stake, will staff be so fortunate?

By Louise Hidalgo

THE 140 staff of Windsor Safari Park will learn their unexpectedly closed its doors to the public yesterday, ten months after going into receivership. There might be job

Visitors were turned away after the official receivers. Cork Gully, suddenly decided to close the park as speculation mounted over its future. The fate of its 600 animals, which include 34 lions, seven elephants and 45 baboons, was far from assured yesterday as the receivers sought how best to dispose of them and where to rehouse them should a buyer not be found.

While most of the animals will remain on the 144-acre site for the time being, the park's eight dolphins are to be found new homes immediately. European Community regulations that will come into effect next year would require the building of a new dolphinarium, which the receivers are not in a position to

Chris Barlow, of Cork Gully, said the priority was still to find a buyer prepared to take on the park as a going concern. If that did not prove possible, the animals would be

He said that a list of criteria had been drawn up. in consultation with animal experts, for new homes. No animals would be placed with circuses. animal dealers would be retained only as brokers, family groupings would not be brotion would be vetted. "Our objective is not to realise cash but to ensure those criteria are were met, the receivers might consider giving away the animals. They are not in any sense a commodity with a defined price."

The decision to close the safari park, due to shut next weekend for the winter season. the safety of staff, the general public and the animals", Mr Barlow said. The receivers were not prepared to take any risk "for the sake of speculating on a week's extra income". Some sources suggested that the early closure had been prompted by fears that animal activists might try to release some of the animals into the

Windsor Safari Park was operating profitably and trading normally when the receivers were summoned in January. In the seventies it attracted 20,000 visitors a day and even in recent years received a million visitors a

Its difficulties were caused primarily by its parent com-pany. Themes International. The group, which took over the park four years ago. had expanded by acquisition and by the end of 1991 was no longer able to service its debts

of more than £40 million. Chris Barlow of Cork Gully assumed responsibility both for the safari park and for all the company's assets, which include ten nightclubs, a paddle steamer in Amsterdam ken up and any final destina- and an aquapark in



Present laughter: Peter Gott, aged six, who has an unusually high IQ, will have to leave his private school unless a replacement can be found for the firm that has been paying the

bulk of his fees (John O'Leary writes).

Peter's parents wrote to 200 companies appealing for sponsor-ship because they believed his state primary school could not provide the individual attention he needed. Only one firm would help to pay the

£3,300 fees at Bury Lawn School, in Milton Keynes. Berkertex, the fashion company specialising in bridal wear, was paying two-thirds of the fees until the receivers were called in last month. Bury Lawn has provided a bursary to see out the school year, but Peter will have to move if no new

Peter's father Stuart said: "I work nights packing supermarket shelves, and my wife works in a card shop to

sponsor comes forward.

find our share of the fees, but we could never afford the full amount. We have advertised in the local papers for financial help, but this time there have been no replies." Support under the Assisted Places Scheme, is not available for those under 11.

Mr Gott said: "It does not seem to bother Peter. But if we do not find funds for him by next September, we will be in a hell if a mess. The local

primary school wants to put him in a class of 13 year olds, which we do not think would be good for him at all." Peter, who was reading before he was three, has had his IQ assessed at 175. The county denies that it would place him in a class of 13-year-olds.

☐ The National Association of Head Teachers today appeals to John Major in a letter not to suspend the teachers' pay review body as part of

Molyneux rules out return to talks

BY EDWARD GORMAN RETAND CORRESPONDENT

THE Ulster Unionist Party gave notice this weekend that it will not return to the negotiating table after the Anglo-Irish conference next

In a typically cryptic speech to the party's annual confer-ence in Belfast on Saturday Jim Molyneaux, UUP leader, also appeared to signal that he now expects the government to come forward with its own proposals for modest devolution in Belfast along the lines agreed by the two unionist parties and the Alliance.

Mr Molyneaux made clear that the two governments alone must take the blame for the fact that the inter-party talks will end permanently once preparations begin for the Anglo-Irish conference on November 16.

"As far back as three years ago, both governments agreed to suspend the Anglo-Irish conference and Secretariat for the duration of the talks," Mr Molyneaux told delegates. "It was clearly accepted that if and when the two government terminate the suspension, they thereby terminate the talks."

Mr Molyneaux has thus now publicly aligned himself with Ian Paisley, leader of the Democratic Unionist Party, who will also end his party's involvement in the process once preparations for the con-

ference begin.

Mr Molyneaux did, however, talk with some optimism about the prospects for a new devolution arrangement in Belfast along the lines he has always envisaged. He said he did not want the process to simply slide back to square one if it was deprived of total success. This time we shall not falter just because another initiative has been only partially successful."

Sources within the UUP said yesterday that Mr Molyneaux was calling for the government to now bring forward proposals based on the limited agreement between the two unionist parties and the Alliance.

Rix relaunches Mencap to conquer prejudices

By Ruth Gledhill, religion correspondent



SOCIETY is still ill-informed in its perception of the needs of mentally handicapped people and their families, according to Lord Rix of Whitehall, chairman of Mencap.

Lord Rix, writing in mencap news, published today, says that in nearly 50 years Mencap has notched up some remarkable achievements, but recent research by the charity shows society has remained prejudiced. He predicts an "uphill battle" to bring the rights of people with learning disabilities to the forefront. Mencap — the Royal Society for Mentally Handicapped

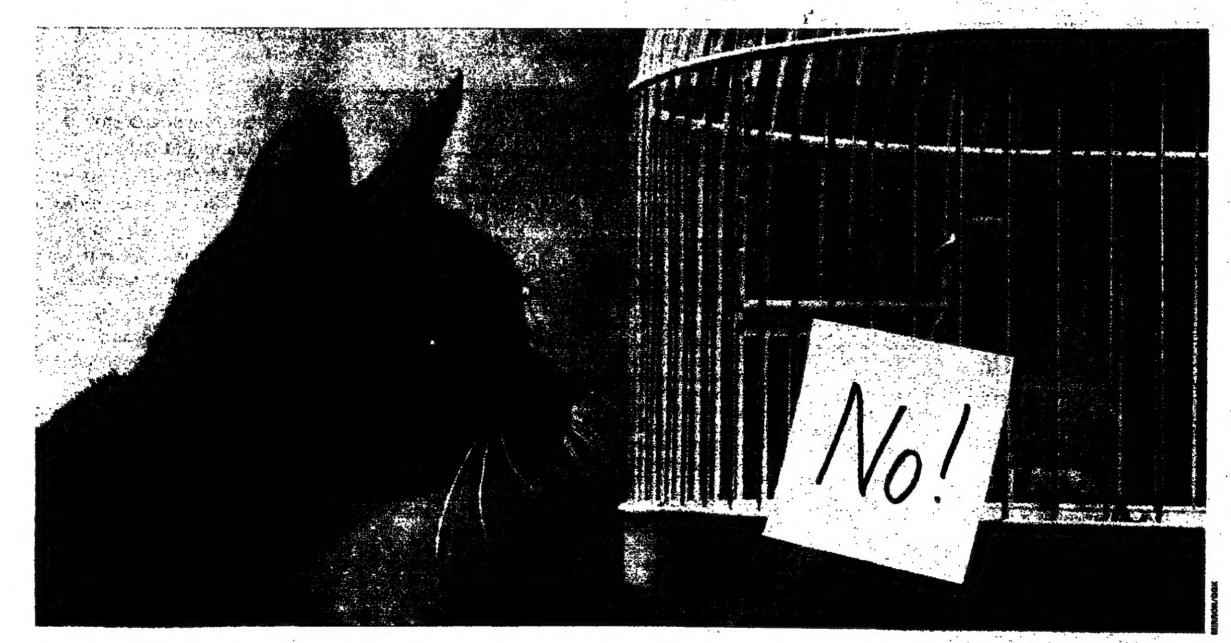
Children and Adults - is today relaunching itself in an attempt to regain its campaigning image and improve the status of mentally handicapped people in society. Mencap is concerned that, while attitudes to women, race and minority groups have changed, the public still holds fast to old prejudices about

people with learning difficulties. The charity is consigning its former logo of "little Stephen", to history.

The weepy-looking little boy is universally despised by people with learning difficulties and has perpetuated the sad, pathetic "begging bowl" image to the detriment of the charity, according to mencap news. The new logos have handicapped people looking

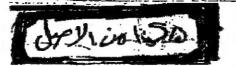


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Stevens to announce English Heritage sites fit for disposal

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DRASTIC changes in the organisation and financing of English Heritage, the quasiindependent watchdog for historic buildings and ancient monuments, are expected to be announced by its chair-man, Jocelyn Stevens, today. The proposals are contained

in a report, Managing England's Heritage: Setting our Priorities for the 1990s. Besides calling for severe cuts in staffing, it is likely to advocate "privatisation", or the handing over to local authorities of many buildings and sites in care, and concentration on those that are considered of the highest importance to national heritage.

The report is likely to reflect the hard-line, cost-effective management views of Mr Stevens, who succeeded Lord Montagu of Beaulieu as chairman earlier this year. But it may also be seen as an expression of discontent at the

An English Heritage report reveals a "hit-list" of properties considered suitable to hand over to the care of local authorities or private owners

has prevented it from fulfilling

The most controversial aspect of the report is expected to be a "hit list" of properties considered suitable for handing over to private owners or local authorities. Among those sites are the prehistoric megalithic avenues and enclosures at Avebury, Wiltshire, listed by Unesco as a World

The proposals are said to divide sites into three classes of "highest quality", of national and of regional importance. They are also classified as having "neutraled for details." as having "potential for dev-elopment" by English Heritage, attractive but with limited development poten-tial, and suitable for other

Most concern is likely to be felt about the "highest quality" sites that could be managed independently. Apart from Avebury, they include the Roman town of Silchester, Hampshire, and Vindolanda and Birdoswald forts on Hadrian's Wall. Sites of national importance

to be handed over to local care are likely to include the Uffington White Horse in Berkshire and the medieval tithe barn at Bradford-on-Avon. Sites mentioned in the regional category include Winchester Palace, Hamp-shire and Lancross Priory.

Local authorities are aghast at the prospect of further demands on their stretched



Kobal's world of glamour up for auction

By SARAH JANE CHECKLAND ART MARKET CORRESPONDENT

AN OUTSTANDING array of film and entertainment material will be dispersed at Christie's in London on December 17, following the death of John Kobal, the collector of Hollywood memorabilia. The media, which had come to depend on Kobal, will be bereft of a valuable source of images.

Up for sale are the exotic sequip encrusted costume Yul Brynner wore in the 1956 film The King and I, and a ginger chiffon evening dress, left, worn by the femme fatale Rita Hayworth in Pal Joey (both estimated at £800 to £1,000).

Kobal was renowned for his love of glamour and kitsch. Items include garish posters for Fantasia and Gone with the Wind, each expected to fetch £3,000. There will be publicity photographs of stars such as Dietrich and Olivier, sketches from MGM studios, and publicity posters that were originally propped up beside box offices. One, from Niagara, shows Monroe lying on the falls as though on a sofa, the rushing waters doubling as a drape.

Born in Linz in 1940, John Kobal started

his career as a small-time actor in Britain. In the 1960s, he became a film correspondent in America for BBC radio. Many Hollywood studios were closing down, and Kohal took every opportunity to acquire discarded publicity material. He wrote more than 30 books.

DNA tests to show truth of fishy story

BY RAY CLANCY

WHEN Ronnie Lindsay landed a 46lb salmon on the river Nith in Dumfries he thought he was set to enter the record books. A few days later the monster fish was seized by police amid rumours that it had been

clandestinely poached from another river. The results of special DNA tests on the 4ft salmon by scientists at a fisheries laboratory in Cumbria are expected soon. Mr Lindsay believes his name will be cleared and detectives will be glad to bring to an end a fishy story that has had the locals gossiping for three weeks.

Mr Lindsay says he caught the fish after an hour-long struggle on September 30. He hoped that it was a new angling record for a salmon caught by rod and line in southwest Scotland. News of the carch spread fast in the pubs of the small town. Rumours abounded, the strongest of which was that the fish had been poached from the river Tweed and the record claim was false.

Detectives seized the evidence - one frozen salmon - and sent it for forensic tests. Inspector Alan Carruthers of Dumfries and Galloway police said the DNA tests will determine which river the fish was born in. Salmon always return to the waters of their

Mr Lindsay said: "It is a tremendous lish and one I have always dreamt of catching. I know they are saying that it did not come from the Nith but that is not true. It did come from the Nith and I landed it fair and

Empty vessel makes big noise in Wales

BY TIM JONES

IF BEAUTY is in the eye of the beholder, then Number III gasometer is either a celebration of Florentine art or a rusting eyesore that should be condemned to the rubbish tip. Cadw, the Welsh Office

ancient monuments agency. believes the 110-year-old holder in Cardiff is evocative of the work of Brunelleschi, the Renaissance architect and engineer whose work included the dome of Florence cathedral. Experts from Cadw, who have decided to preserve the holder for the nation by making it a grade It listed building, were particularly taken by its fine Doric columns that support the panelling blocks. A spokes-man said: "The metal framework which forms around the nolder line a crown is particuarly interesting. Who ever lesigned it had a knowledge

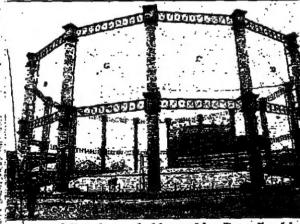
f classical architecture."

Residents of the Gr own area are not impressed ple off living near it."

and rather wish the holder had not been repaired after being damaged by war-time bombing. Huw Parry said: "It is incredibly ugly. Anyone living in Florence would have a heart attack if this thing was

British Gas, which said it would cost £400,000 to put Number III back in working over the decision. A spokesman said: "Usually we are urged by local people and councillors to take the holders down once they are no longer

Peter Perkins, chairman of South Glamorgan County Council said: "It is absolute nonsense. No doubt this has been decided by someone living miles away without any thought for people in the area. The decision could stifle development in this part of Car-



Art or folly?: the gas-holder evoking Brunelleschi

Britain tops **EC** for over-65s

BY ROBIN YOUNG

HE United Kingdom has a righer proportion of people ged over 65 than any other uropean Community counry, though its birth rate, at 3.8 per thousand population. second only to Ireland's.
Britons are now living al-

nost three decades longer nan at the turn of the century. verage life expectancy for nales, which was 45.5 years 1 1900, is expected to reach 4.5 years by the end of the entury. Average life expectanfor females, 49 at the start f the century, is expected to

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The figures also show that have become much better f over the past two decades. ntal household disposable come increased tenfold from 6.4 billion in 1971 to 72.6 billion in 1990. Over e same period, the purchasg power of the pound fell to out one sixth of its 1971

incomes increased by out three quarters. Key Data 1992-3 (Statio-ry Office: \$4.95)

lue, but that still meant that

Drugs fail to stifle malaria

By Nigel Hawkes SCIENCE EDITOR

HEALTH ministers from 95 countries meet today in Amsterdam to plan a new strategy against malaria, a disease that is making a devastating comeback despite the best efforts of modern science.

"Globally, the malaria situation is serious and getting worse," says Dr Hiroshi Nakajima, director-general of the World Health Organisation, which has organised today's meeting. He will be recommending a strategy of controlling the disease rather than trying to eliminate the

mosquitoes that carry it.

Malaria kills between one
and two million people a year,
nearly all of them in Africa. Deaths in Britain are low, no more than 20 a year, but travellers to countries such as Kenya and Thailand face a growing threat from drug-resistant varieties. Earlier this ear, Richard Hughes, the brother of Simon Hughes MP, died of malaria despite having taking anti-malarian pills. He caught the disease in Kenya, as did Dorothy Wheeler, a beauty therapist from Birmingham, who died

three weeks later. The WHO wants to conceritrate on earlier diagnosis, treatment, and identification of the outbreak of epidemics. Attempts to eliminate the mosquito by the use of insecticides. draining swamplands where it breeds, and introducing predators, have failed.



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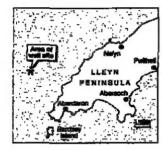
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Oil explorers to start drilling in sight of nature reserves

By MICHAEL MCCARTHY, ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

begins next month a few miles from one of the country's most beautiful and heavily protected coastlines, against the advice of government wildlife

and countryside experts. Hamilton Oil is to sink an offshore exploration well within sight of the Lleyn Peninsula. Gwynedd, and the island of Bardsey at its tip, a coastline considered the most outstanding in North Wales, both for vildlife and landscape, with its windswept cliffs home to thousands of seabirds such as



DRILLING for oil and gas and guillemots, and its crystal- one of the most unspoilt breeding colony of grey seals. Hamilton brought ashore

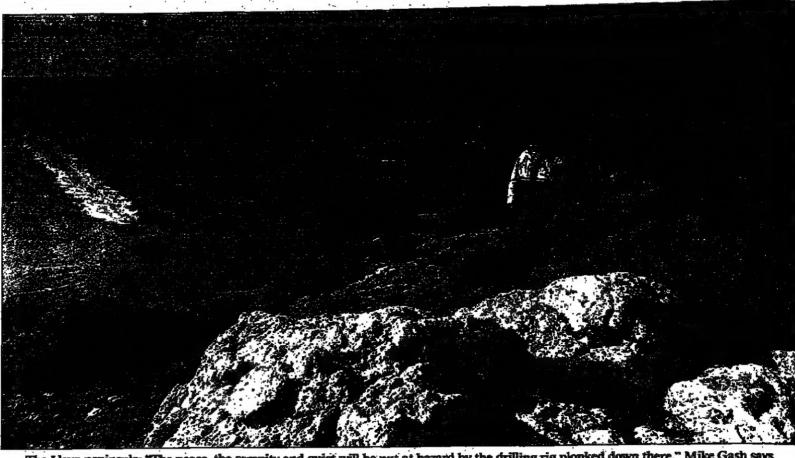
the first oil from a North Sea well in 1975, from the Argyll. field, which ceased production last week. As the North Sea fields decline and Britain moves away from coal as an energy source, the company is now leading the way in Irish Sea prospecting, and has re-cently made substantial finds of both oil and gas further north in Liverpool Bay. It hopes to make a similar strike with the well it is drilling off Bardsey, on which it is spend-ing an initial £5 million. But while the company's

Argyll well was 180 miles from shore, the new well will be sunk only ten miles from Bardsey and eight miles from the Lleyn coast. Conservationists fear that an oil or gas find and the development of a petrochemical industry would mean a considerable pollution

clear waters sheltering a corners of Britain. The company declines to speculate on where any find might be brought ashore, but there are fears it could be in Lleyn.

The drilling was licensed by the now-defunct Department of Energy in 1990 amid opposition from the Nature Conservancy Council, which has since been split into wildlife and countryside agencies for England, Wales and Scotland. The NCC objected to the risk to seabird breeding colo-nies but was overruled by Peter Morrison, who was then the energy minister.

Bardsey and the southern tip of Lleyn are covered by a plethora of protection designa-tions: area of outstanding natural beauty, heritage coast, national nature reserve, site of special scientific interest, special protection area under the EC birds directive, and proposed marine nature reserve. Mike Gash, coastal policy for the Countryside



The Lleyn peninsula: "The peace, the serenity and quiet will be put at hazard by the drilling rig plonked down there," Mike Gash says

Council for Wales, the NCC's successor in the principality, said on Bardsey last week: "Surely these designations have to mean something. Or are they simply going to be done away with for the sake of short-term expediency?"

Bardsey is in legend the burial place of 20,000 saints. and was a place of pilgrimage throughout the middle ages. "Everything the pilgrims like this sought — the peace, the seren- rilegious." ity and quiet, the remoteness will be put at hazard by

having the drilling rig plonked down there." Mr Gash said. "To have an oil industry within sight of a place like this would be sac-

Hamilton Oil says it is consulting widely with local

interests, and complying with strict conditions imposed by the drilling licence, which include a seven-kilometre exclusion zone around Bardsey itself, and an abstention from drilling during the seabird

company's spokesman, said vessel would also be on stand-

Lawyers fear loss of legal aid firms

Solicitors and thousands of their clients are likely to pay dearly if the Lord Chancellor's proposals to overhaul the legal aid system are enacted

By Frances Gibb, legal correspondent

HUNDREDS of small legal aid firms could be forced to close or drop legal aid work under plans for the most fundamental shake-up of the service in its history.

nounced at the weekend by the Lord Chancellor, Lord Mackay of Clashfern, at the Law Society conference in Birmingham. Instead of the present network of about 10,000 solicitors' offices offering legal aid, the work is expected to be concentrated among bigger firms who win contracts and block-funding to process legal aid work in volume, subject to strict quality controls.

10,000 outlets may have to

Claims for solicitor fraud soar

SOLICITORS in England and Wales face a second emergency levy of at least f1,000 a partner to meet another huge rise in sums paid to victims of their dishonest colleagues (Frances Gibb

This year, partners have al-ready faced a levy of £1,000 per head to cope with pay-ments from a fund which, by the end of next year, is likely to have more claims against it totalling more than £50 million. The fund, which is facing what one Law Society council member, Christopher Heaps, described as the "gravest fi-nancial crisis in its 50-year history", had claims for £30 million lodged against it in the first nine months of this year. By the end of 1992, Mr Heaps told solicitors at the Law Society annual conference, the fund is expected to have claims for £40 million lodged against it. There would therefore have to be a "further extraordinary demand" on solicitors in

1993, he said. The full impact of the rise in claims has yet to be felt by the profession, struggling to meet the cost of claims from earlier years. Compensation pay-ments from the fund, which meets claims of dishonesty by sole practitioners or where all partners in a firm are in default, this year are expected to top £15 million, compared with £11 million last year and £1.5 million in 1986.

The increase in mortgage fraud in the past five years is the main reason for the rise in claims. The Metropolitan and City police estimate that mortgage fraud involving solicitors is running at £1 billion. Mr Heaps said that dishonesty was found in only a tiny minority of the profession: under 0.13 per cent of all solicitors were in default.

A ceiling might have to be imposed on the amount paid by the profession to big financial institutions when a solicitor has been dishonest. Most solicitors favour such a measure but oppose restricting compensation where private individuals are the claimants.

give up legal aid work, as they would be unlikely to be successful in tendering competitively for the work with the larger firms. Legal aid would be far harder to obtain than now, with possibly hundreds of people made ineligible and those who qualify paying far more towards their own costs in civil and criminal cases.

In civil cases, means-testing. be brought into line with that for other benefits, Lord Mackay said. He made clear that he wants to see a big cut in legal aid for divorce.

Couples would be encouraged to use mediation, possibly with incentives to reach the form of bonus payments to solicitors who succeed in keeping a divorce out of court.

Solicitors are still assessing the far-reaching impact of what is being seen as a watershed speech by Lord Mackay, in which he spelt out the government's vision for the future shape of the legal aid scheme in the next century. The background to the proposals is the cost of legal aid, which Lord Mackey said would exceed £1 billion this year, more than twice the level of four years ago. On present trends, the cost would near £2 billion by the mid-nineties. That rate of growth "cannot be allowed to continue", he said.

Solicitors said the proposals na nt a massive reduction in the eligibility of people for legal aid, because of the likely reduction in legal aid offices and the Lord Chancellor's plans to make people pay

more of the cost. Charles Elly, a Law Society council member, said the proposals would hit the poorest sectors of the public by reduc-ing the numbers of offices and increasing the sums people had to pay towards the costs of

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The way it isn't



Roger Scruton Unless he's approached Wearing flares

Is a little too pert I would have preferred a grandee In the role of D.G.

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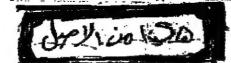
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EC watchdog catalogues year of fraud and waste

Tales are emerging of stolen food aid and public money squandered on anything from disappearing furniture to advertising campaigns for table olives

FROM GEORGE BROCK IN BRUSSELS

S BRITAIN dithers over the Maastricht treaty and Euroean leaders prepare to do battle over the next Brussels budget, the Community's own financial watchdog is prepar-ing to issue one of the most trenchant criticisms ever directed at fraud and waste in

A draft of the next annual report of the EC's Court of Auditors reveals slack finan-cial monitoring, theft of food aid to eastern Europe and public money wasted on anything from disappearing furniture in the European Parliament to advertising campaigns for table olives. The report, written by a committee of 12 financial experts repre-senting all EC states based in uxembourg, records that governments declared £47 million of EC-related fraud between mid-1990 and mid-1991. But those figures are widely reckoned to be misleading: the Irish government declared no fraud cases for that period and Greece only three. Estimates of the total amount lost each year run to ten times

the official figures.

The 735-page text of the report is circulating just as governments reach the critical stage of the autumn's battle over the EC's next five-year budget. Jacques Delors, the European Commission's president has asked governments to raise the Community's annual £44 billion spending by 30 per cent. Britain and Germany, the two heaviest contributors to the EC budget, have attacked the Delors figures as over-ambitious and unnecessary. The Court of Auditors report provides ammunition both for Euro-sceptics opposed to the Maastricht treaty and its expansion of EC powers, and for government ministers trying to cut down M Delors plans.

cisms are aimed at spending

The sheep were redistributed among shepherds, increasing the size of their flocks a hundred times'

n the common agricultural plicy, which accounts for just er half the EC's budget. Naking spotchecks on pay-nents to sheep farmers, auditos discovered flocks of Britis sheep being merged to qualify for special payments. Si shepherds with flocks of les than eight sheep, who did no qualify for the payment, clubed together with a large firm to apply for premiums on 0.00 sheep. The first official consisted agreed to pay out grass for 1,000 sheep but was overtuled by a more generous supervisor. The sheep were redistributed among the shepherds, increasing the size of their flocks a hundred times. With this creative accounting, all 6,000 sheep qualified for

the premium payment. The auditors acknowledge that the European Commis sion's shipments of emergency food aid to the Commonwealth of Independent States. Romania and Bulgaria last year travelled east under difficult conditions. But they paint a picture of chaos in the EC bureaucracy, long delays, waste and theft.

The Community gave Bulgaria 7.500 tons of milk powder to avert famine in the poorest areas. Unknown to the Brussels Commission, one packet in every ten was sold by the Bulgarian authorities to Egypt, by way of Greek middiemen, to earn hard currency for the government in Sofia. The Bulgarians did not even bother to change the powder's

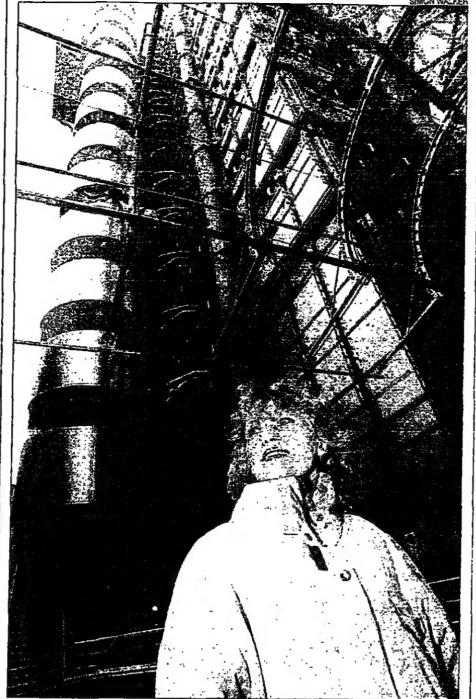
packaging. Last February, 12 months after the EC had promised 80,000 tons of food to Russia. only just over half had left the Community's borders. The EC pays for the storage of the food waiting to move and the auditors report that storage alone will have cost the EC £1.6 million by this year. In a cryptic reference to Commission officials misunderstanding the sugar market, the report says that 55.6 million was lost in sending sugar to

The report contains frequent scathing references to the lack of control over how EC money is spent in Greece. No assurance could ... be Karpov and Vasily Ivanchuk

the Greek Court of Auditors the EC watchdogs say. Subsirous cotton and olive oil producers have not been properly inspected since 1987 and con-Work on an olive oil register is "bogged down". The "fundamental weakness" shown by the authorities is their "complete failure" to punish olive oil producers who break the

auditors point out again that the EC's Third World aid is not always spent as intended. A project to help the farming of "basic foodgrains" in Nicaragua was altered by the Nicaraguans into a Community-funded scheme to manufacture farm implements drawn by animals, without anyone in Brussels knowing.

The report contains a severe postscript rapping the knuck-les of the European parlia-ment for failing to keep track of its belongings. By this time last year, £4 million of computers, stationery and furniture — almost 9,000 items in all were unaccounted for. The accounts of the parliament's own supermarket in Luxembourg are, in the auditors' typically understated words, in an "irregular situation".



Western delights: Katya Likhodei, a mother of three from the industrial town of Nizhniy Tagil in the Urals, posing before one of the City's capitalist palaces, the Lloyd's building after arriving in London at the weekend on her first journey outside Russia. Her two-week visit is organised by the Institute of Chartered Accountants to show her how to set up and run a successful

small business. The institute's invitation came in the wake of a letter Mrs Likhodei wrote to The Times in March asking for advice on opening a private shop for consumer goods. She received letters and advice from all over Britain. Her tour of the country will take her to shops and small businesses in Cardiff, Cambridge, Learn-ington Spa, Wakefield. York and Brighton.

NEWS IN BRIEF

London top

of list for

high fares

London remains the most

commuters, a survey by the

Association of London Au-

thorities reports today. Fare

increases beginning in Janu-

ary will take the cost of a

week's commuting in London, based on a six-mile journey, to

E16 - well ahead of the

second most expensive city

The cost is based on ten

journeys for commuters each

week. In a list of single fare

prices in EC cities only Copen-

hagen (£1.89) was more ex-

pensive than London (£1.60),

though discounts for Copen-

hagen commuters cut weekly

The average for a week's

costs below those in London.

commuting in the cities was £6.99, and the single fare

average 93p. The survey wa

conducted on October 21 and

fare conversions into pounds

were made on closing ex-

change rates on October 20.

Health comes

Dublin, at £1 1.77.

A tale of two peas — or easy pickings thanks to Brussels

By Michael Hornsby, agriculture correspondent

rest of Europe are being cannot distinguish one kind of pea from another.

That is one bizarre consequence of the reforms of the European Community's common agricultural policy (CAP), agreed last May, that were meant to reduce the huge sums of taxpayers' money being spent on supporting production of food nobody wants.

Growers of vining peas, the kind destined for human consumption, are being told they must accept a payment of £127 an acre. That is supposed to compensate them for cuts in guaranteed prices that arable farmers will have to accept

over the next three years. Substituting one kind of subsidy for another would be no more than routine lunacy by EC standards. In this case. however, a subsidy is being created where none existed, since vining peas are among the few agricultural products that have never been subsidised by a guaranteed price or

BOBBY Fischer is no further

forward in his attempt to seize the world record \$3.35

million (C2.1 million) prize in

his match against Boris

Fischer's efforts to compli-

cate the 24th game on Satur-

day came to naught against a Spassky who seemed deter-

mined to exchange as many pieces as possible and elimi-nate all the tension in the

position. There is speculation

among grandmasters that Spassky's tactics are to stone-

wall and delay Fischer's abili-

ty to score the last two wins he

needs to capture the jackpot,

causing a frustrated Fischer

to over-extend and perhaps

Game 25, due to be played

last night, was postponed at

Spassky's request. This is the

last time out he is permitted.

Fischer now has eight wins to Spassky's four, with 12 games

At the international chess

tournament in Tilburg, Hol-

land, the 20-year-old British

grandmaster Michael Adams

is heading for one of his

greatest tournament tri-

umphs. He has sailed easily to

the final of a knockout tourna-

ment where the ultimate jack-

Nigel Short, Anatoly

pot is a £35,000 prize.

suffer defeats.

drawn.

Spassky in Belgrade.

FARMERS in Britain and the any other means. Even the ister, and Brussels calling the subsidy "unnecessary and unjustified" and urging that it be rescinded.

Brian Scott, chief executive of the Processed Vegetable Growers' Association, said: "It is crazy. Vining pea growers have managed to survive through thick and thin without subsidy. We already have excess production of about 20,000 tonnes and now growers of other crops will be tempted to switch to peas to get this payment. The market will be glutted, forcing down prices." About 120,000 acres of

vining peas are grown by nearly 1.000 farmers in Britain. They are virtually unanimous in not wanting the subsidy, Mr Scott says, and are supported by their counterparts in France, Germany, Belgium, Denmark and Holland. At one stage, he claims, only Greece was clearly in favour of the subsidy.

Spassky holds off an

aggressive Fischer

BY RAYMOND KEENE, CHESS CORRESPONDENT

Under the old regime, grow-

have already been eliminated.

In the semi-final on Saturday,

Adams defeated the Israeli

American grandmaster Gata

Kamsky and grandmaster Boris Gelfand (Belorusssia) are

still deadlocked and fighting

for the right to challenge

Sheet State State

The final position

In the other semi-final the

grandmaster Ilya Smirin.

ers of so-called "protein" peas, which are dried for use in rest of Europe are being National Farmers. Union which are dried for use in pressed by Brussels to accept thinks this is overdoing things a bit. David Naish, its presimost of them do not want, dent, has written to John reformed CAP, that has been a minimum price. In the reformed CAP, that has been scrapped and replaced with the acreage payment. Satellite surveillance will be used to check the size of crop areas. The snag is that satellite photography cannot easily tell vining peas from protein ones.

The mandarins in Brussels feared they would be unable to prevent fraudulent claims by unscrupulous vining per farmers if the acreage grants were limited to protein peas. So they decided to make the payments available to all, thus saving any from having to go to the effort of cheating. Agriculture ministry offici-

als say the decision to include vining pea growers in the subsidy scheme was "slipped into the reform package at the last moment" and Britain was unable to prevent it. Mr Gummer, currently president of the EC's council of farm ministers. is said to feel that the decision should be reversed, but he is unlikely to press too hard lest the rest of the farm reforms start to unravel.

Diet pills 'available on demand

By A STAFF REPORTER

PRIVATE clinics are giving strong "diet" drugs to slimmers despite official advice that the risks posed to users outweigh any benefits, according to a World in Action programme to be broadcast on ITV tonight.

Researchers for the programme went undercover to 50 private British clinics, and found that potentially addictive amphetamine-based drugs, which work by suppressing the user's appetite, were available "almost on demand" from 45 of them.

Five clinics gave an under weight woman the diet pills and two gave them to a 15year-old girl, despite evidence suggesting that they interfere with growth in young people. One did not have a doctor on the premises, even though the pills are prescription-only. Dr Natalie-Jane Macdon-

ald, of the British Medical Association, told World In Action: "These clinics should not be able to prescribe centrally-acting appetite suppressants to patients who come off the streets." Dr Nick Finer, head of the obesity clinic at Guy's hospital in London. said: "It is not acceptable for this standard of medicine to persist in this country."

before riches Being rich is not a top priority for British men, a Gallup survey for next month's Esquire magazine has found. They would rather have their health, someone to love and good friends. Londoners are the excep-

health. Gallup surveyed 1,019 men aged between 20 and 44.

Beckett novel A previously unpublished Samuel Beckett novel will be launched in Dublin on Wednesday. He wrote Dream of Fair to Middling Women 60 years ago and entrusted the manuscript to a friend.

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and do not care much about

Plea for murals A wall art conservation society

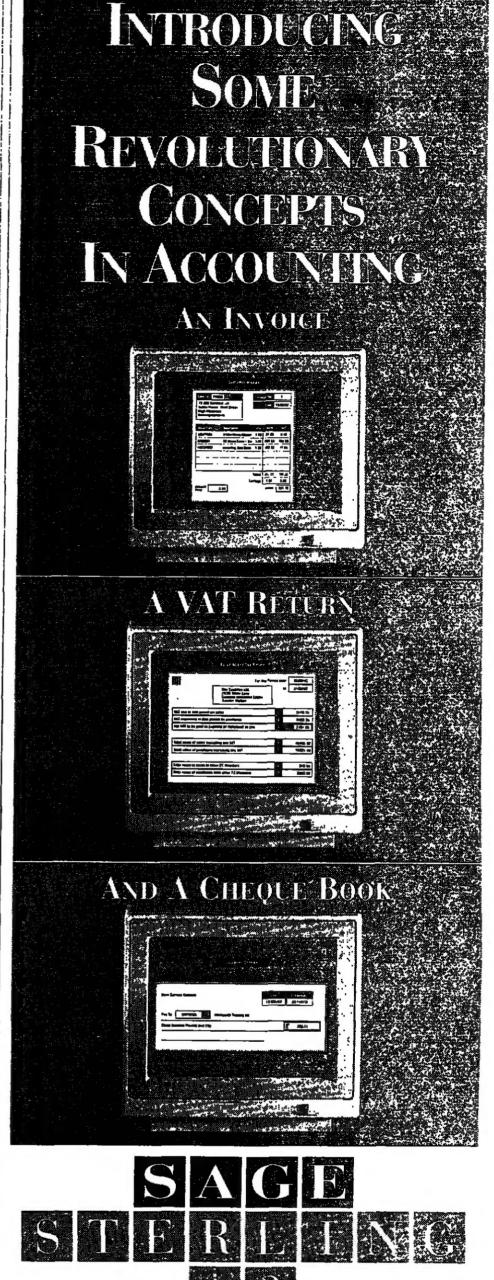
has launched an appeal to save wartime murals painted by American servicemen in billets and messes of their Brit-Negus auction

Antiques belonging to the late

Arthur Negus, presenter of the television programme. The Antiques Road Show, will be auctioned in Cheltenham on Wednesday.

Bond winners

Winners in the National Savings premium bonds weekly prize draw: £100,000, bond number 16YN O22598, winner lives in the London borough of Lewisham; £50,000, (22TL 578845), winner lives in Buckinghamshire: £25,000 (25WB 382476) winner lives in King's Lynn.



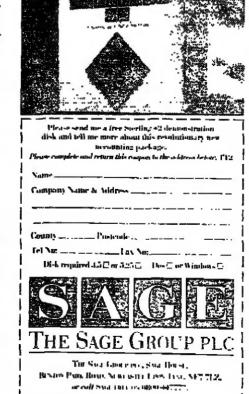
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Patten under pressure to reveal 'China deal' on democracy curbs

FROM JONATHAN BRAUDE IN HONG KONG

CHRIS Patten, the governor of Hong Kong, is facing his first big political storm as angry legislators demand to see letters between Britain and China, written two or three

years ago, alleged to agree secret restrictions on the development of democracy here.

The controversy has been seized on by conservative leaders previously for embarrassed. ers previously too embarrassed to criticise the hugely popular governor for fear of appearing too pro-Peking. However, it has also angered pro-democracy liberals who have long been suspicious of Britain's motives in pushing political reform so late in the day.

Members of the Legislative

Council said that they would withhold support for the controversial blueprint for democratic reform that Mr Patten

EMPEROR Akihito of Japan

yesterday met the man who, if history had taken a different

turn, would have been a fellow

royal ruler, the Emperor of

Manchukuo. On the first visit

to China by a Japanese mon-

arch, Emperor Akihito visited

Pu Jie, the brother of the last

Pu Jie was schooled in

Japan, married a woman of

Japanese royal blood and, with Pu Yi, collaborated with

the Japanese in the second world war. So Pu Jie, 86, really is an old friend of Japan.

The would-be emperor turned commoner wore a Mao suit as a mark of his

present affiliations, but memo-

ries of royal protocol die hard

and Mr Pu made the tradi-

tional bow as he met the

emperor. Mr Pu's imperial

aspirations and his loyalty to

Japan were long ago beaten

Chinese emperor. Pu Yi.

Akihito meets last

emperor's brother

FROM CATHERINE SAMPSON IN PEKING

presented this month until the correspondence is made public and the accusations are laid to rest. Martin Lee, the chair-man of the liberal United Democrats of Hong Kong, said: "We can never be satisfied until they are released."

The existence of the secret agreement was disclosed dur-ing a strong attack on Mr Patten's proposals by Lu Ping, the director of China's Hong Kong and Macau Affairs Ofkong and Macan Anans Or-lice, after the governor's fruit-less visit to Peking last week. Mr Lu said that Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, and Qian Qichen, his Chinese counterpart, had agreed secretiy on arrangements for the 1995 direct elections to the Legislative Council and suggested that Mr Patten's blue-print went against that secret

out of him by the Commu-

nists. The two men had little to talk about yesterday except Peking's chilly winters and

how necessary it was to wear

extra clothing. Empress Michiko has developed a cold

since arriving in China. In the 1930s, Japan had

plans to set up a puppet state of Manchukuo in northeast

China. In 1935, Pu Yi was in-

stalled as emperor, but was

childless, so Pu Jie was his heir

apparent. At the end of the

war, the Communists jailed

the brothers as traitors, gave them years of ideological "re-

education" and released them

in 1959. The last emperor, Pu

Yi, having been removed from

the throne of China in 1911,

Emperor Akihito and Em-

press Michiko had another

taste of empire yesterday, tour-ing the Forbidden City.

died in 1967.

accord. In a specially con-vened session of the council after his Peking talks, Mr Patten admitted the existence of diplomatic exchanges regarding the polis, which will elect legislators to sit up to and beyond the colony's handover to the Chinese in 1997. However, he denied that there were any secret agreements that bound the hands of either Britain or China.

However, Hong Kong members of the Basic Law drafting committee, responsi-ble for drawing up the territo-ry's post-1997 mini-consti-tution, claimed they had known a Sino-British agreement on the 1995 election was in the making as early as the end of 1989 — months after the June crackdown on the student democracy movement in Tiananmen Square — and postponed their last round of meetings until the deal was

 Peking: Lawyers from a dozen foreign law firms have been licensed to practise in China for the first time, ac-cording to the official Business Weekly.

The law firms are from America, Hong Kong, Britain and other European countries, but the justice ministry has not released a complete list. The newspaper said that the USbased Coudert Brothers, and the European law firms of Denton Hall, Lovell White and Adamas were among those licensed to operate in Peking, Shanghai. Canton and

Previously, foreign law of-fices in China had to disguise themselves as consultancies. although Chinese authorities tacitly allowed them to provide legal information and draft contracts for foreign clients. Under the new regulations, licensed foreign lawyers will be allowed to represent foreign clients in negotiations and other areas, and provide legal advice. They can also repre-sent Chinese companies abroad. (AP)



beach testing new protective suits and lightweight helmets that will help prevent the increasing risk of skin cancer during the Australian summer, which brings months of temperatures above 90°F. As the style of dress evolves from Baywatch to Star Wars, so other

sophisticated (James Morgan writes). Lifesavers will be using a high-speed personal water craft, the £6,000 42hp Yamaha Marine Jet, and long boards buoyant enough to hold seven people in the water. Jon Lavers, a senior lifeguard, said: "Having the wetbike is the

line of work for 50 years. I have seen

best thing that has happened in this this job evolve from a point where they used to give you just a hat and a whistle to this new hi-tech stuff." The changes are particularly welcome to lifesavers on

Mandela's daughter weds in splendour

FROM RAY KENNEDY IN JOHANNESBURG

LIKE most brides, Zinziswa --Zinzi to her friends - arrived at the church late. But when your father is Nelson Mandela, president of the African National Congress, an organisation not noted for its timekeeping, the point can be stretched a little. In Zinzi's case, for her wedding in Johannesburg on Saturday to Zwelibanzi Hlongwane, it was

stretched to an hour. Nobody appeared to mind on an occasion that took on the lavish style of Hollywood and in its symbolism saw the bridging of violence-ridden South Africa's greatest divide. For Zinzi, 28, the youngest daughter of Mr Mandela and

his estranged wife, Winnie, is a Xhosa, and Zwedi, 25, son of a businessman from Soweto. is a Zulu.

Throughout the ceremony in the Central Methodist Church, which was followed yesterday by a traditional African wedding in Soweto, a single candle representing peace and justice burned in a barbed-wire holder. Zinzi arrived at the church in her ved at the church in her father's red Mercedes, which was given to him soon after his release from prison by motor industry workers, escorted by police motor cyclists with their sirens blaring.
She wore a white lace dress

with diamante and rows of

pearls and sequins. She entered the church to shouts of Viva the wedding of the daughter of the president" from the spectators and wedding guests. Mrs Mandela, resplendent in a shimmering emerald and purple dress, arrived in a separate car with her elder daughter Zeni and her husband. Prince Thumbumuzu Dlamini of Swaziland. The bridal couple reappeared to shouts of "Amandia" (power) and cienched-fist salutes. Mr Mandela emerged and,

without saying a word or giving her a glance, stood next to his wife for photographs. Five hundred guests at the reception at the five-star

Carlton Hotel included Kenneth Kaunda, former President of Zambia, Miriam Makeba, the Soweto-born international singing star, members of the Swazi royal family, the ANC executive, diplomats and politicians. Five bands provided the entertainment

entertainment.

The couple will set up home in Bez Valley suburb of Johannesburg, which was an exclusively white area until the scrapping of the Group Areas Act and other apartheid laws. There they will be able to entertain their guests with a £3,000 dinner service it from candles in £170 holders and candles in £170 holders and serve drinks from a silver tray.

THE WAS IN BRIEF 20 killed at Natal farm party

Johannesburg: Gunmen with automatic niles killed 20 people, including four wamen and two children, in a raid on a celebration at a farm in Natal at Folweni, south of Durban, at the weekend. Twenty-seven people were wounded, police said.

The South African Press Association said that six teen agers, aged 15 and 16, wen shot dead in the same town ship the previous night ir fighting between the ANC and supporters of the inkaths Freedom Party. (Reuter)

Border protest

Naili: Pakistani riot police hurled tear gas and fired a stone-throwing marchers to thwart attempts to storm the disputed border into Indian controlled Kashmir. At leas 30 protesters and about 12 police were wounded. (AP)

Flights stopped

Nairobi: America suspended relief flights to the central So mali town of Baidoa after one of its planes was hit by small arms fire near its fuel tank when it tried to deliver food. Nobody was hurt. (AFP)

Birth warning

Delhi: Speakers at the International Planned Parenthood Federation congress here said that the global population problem could be beaten only if India cuts its birth rate of 48,000 babies a day. (AFP)

Security ring

Yaounde: The home of John Fru Ndi, the Cameroonian opposition leader who alleged fraud in recent presidential elections after he was narrowly beaten by President Paul Biya, has been surrounded by police. (Reuter)

Gentile aid

Jerusalem: Infertile ultra-Orthodox Jews here who want to have children are being allowed to use non-Jewish imported sperm to avoid the danger of their offspring unintentionally

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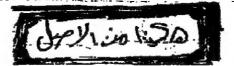
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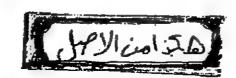
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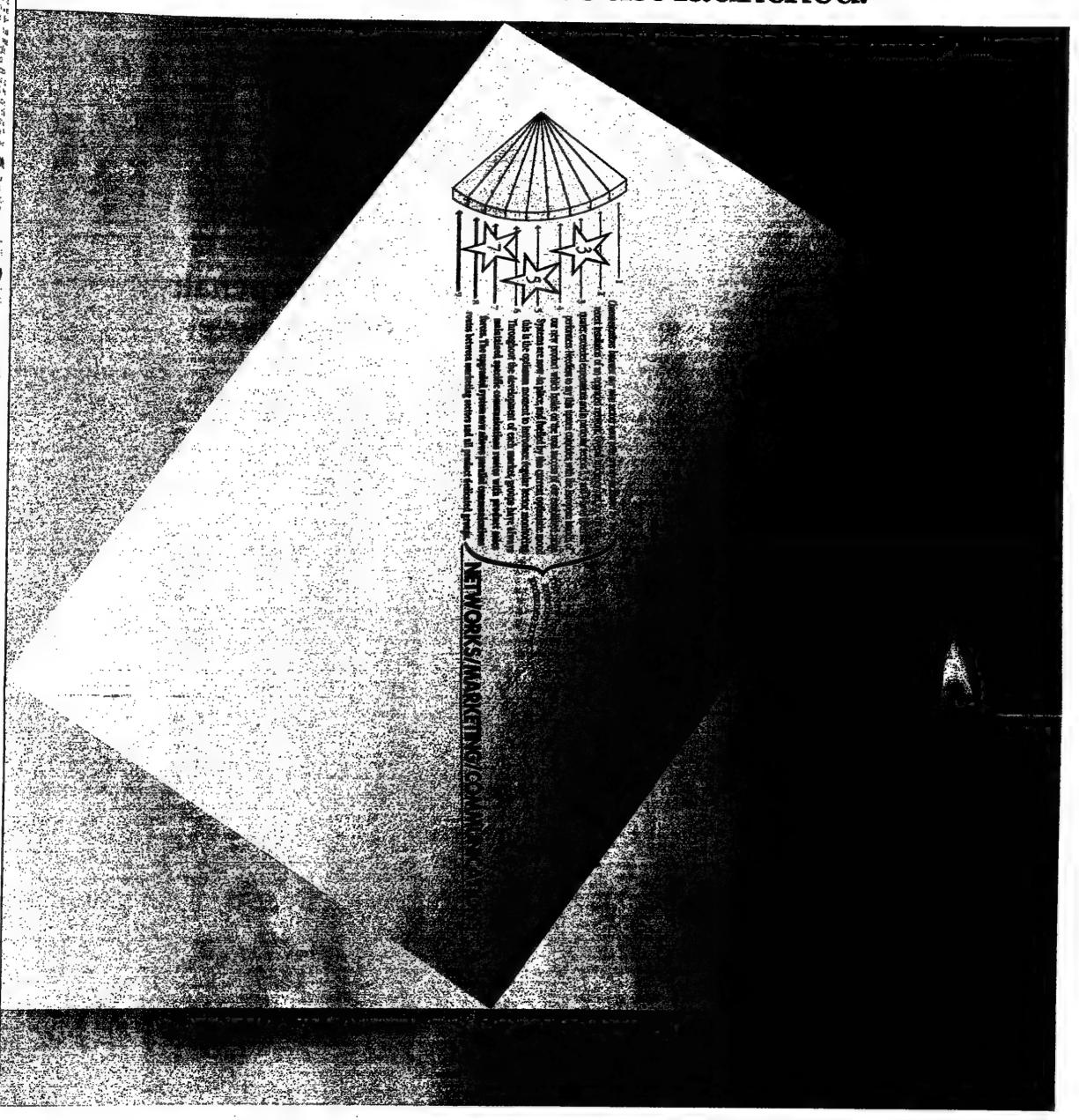






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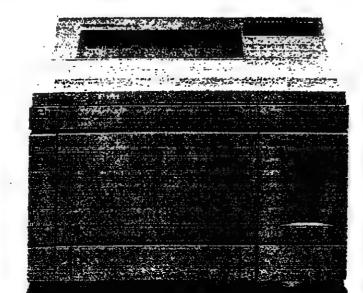
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Red Cross postpones plan to free inmates from Serb-run camps

BY ADAM LEBOR IN SPLIT AND MICHAEL BENYON

THOUSANDS of terrified prisoners are still languishing detention camps across northern Bosnia-Herzegovina. mostly run by Serbs, because Western countries have failed to offer them

The International Committee of the Red Cross has been forced to postpone a huge rescue operation, planned for today, because the international community has not promised to take in immates. Many relief workers in the former Yugoslavia say privately that the hypocrisy of Western governments in refusing to take in the prisoners is staggering.

A wave of revulsion swept around the world after television pictures showed skeletal figures cowering behind barbed wire, but there have not been many offers of help. The world expressed outrage at the barbarism and atrocities that these people underwent," Ron Redmond, of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) in

THE 2,400 British troops

bound for Bosnia are to be

supported by a front-line "Mash" field surgical team

equipped to carry out opera-

tions. The arrangement will

be similar to the surgical

theatre set up at Port San

Carlos during the Falkands

Plans are being made to ensure that British victims of

the civil war receive treatment

as quickly as possible and the

government is under pressure

to provide helicopters for casu-

alty evacuation. Under the

present arrangements, the British force will not have its

own helicopters. The French,

who have sent eight helicop-

ters to Bosnia - four Pumas

and four Gazelles - have told

the British they can call on

However, the military rec-

ognise the possible risks of

having helicopters crossing

different war zones to reach

casualties and would prefer to

The proposal is that the

Royal Fleet Auxiliary vessel,

Argus, which carries up to six

Sea King helicopters, should

be sent from Portland to the

Zagreb CROATIA

GORNI VAKUF

be self-sufficient.

war in 1982.

UK unveils strategy

for wounded soldiers

By Michael Evans, defence correspondent

Horrific images of skeletal figures behind bars left the West shaken, but not stirred into positive action

Geneva, said. "But now we cannot help them because countries are not offering

Serb, Croat and Bosnian officials have agreed to the Croatia, which is already struggling to cater for more than 700,000 refugees, will not accept any more until other countries agree to take in

No detention camps are now visited regularly by the Red Cross, but the prisoners still live in appalling conditions. At Manjaca more than 3,000 inmates sleep on the floor in cowsheds and, in Karlovac, 1,500 former in-

A month ago, the UNHCR

Adriatic for casualty evacua-

tion if the roads are blocked

and for transporting troops in

difficult areas. However, min-

isters have not yet decided

Under the planned medical

arrangements, there will be

three stages in dealing with

British casualties: a regimen-

tal aid post on the spot will

provide immediate first aid

when a soldier is wounded. If

the case is serious, the soldier

will be taken by armoured

ambulance to the Mash unit,

which is expected to be based

Surgeons will have the

necesssary equipment to carry

out life-saving operations. One

great achievement of the Mash team at Port San Carlos

was that every wounded ser-viceman treated by the sur-

geons survived. Hospitals in Vitez and at Split are being

reserved for convalescence.

The planned 300-member

American field hospital, to be

based in or near Zagreb, will

also be used for treatment.

The Royal Fleet Auxiliary

vessel, Sir Bedivere, with

equipment for British troops,

will arrive tomorrow.

CASUALTY PLAN FOR BRITISH TROOPS

Royal Fleet Auxiliary Sir Bedivere, with hospital facility on board.

Once treated and if able to do so, casualties will be flown back to $\operatorname{\mathsf{UK}}$ or $\operatorname{\mathsf{Germany}}$

Use of local hospital

US field hospital

MASH surgical team and use of local hospital

Royal Fleet Auxiliary Argus with six helicopters

in a building in Vitez.

whether to send her.

temporary sanctuary for some of the 5,000 camp inmates. Some Western politicians argue that if they take in the prisoners, they will be helping to prolong the policy of "ethnic cleansing". However, the Red Cross argues that the situation is desperate now that winter is

Patrick Gasser, the Red Cross leader in Split, said: Who can reverse 'ethnic cleansing at this point?" "Our these people's lives."

The Red Cross has transferred 1.737 former prisoners to third countries, including several dozen to Britain. However, the organisation says that despite repeated appeals only 500 more former immates have been offered refuge.

Last month, Lady Chalker,
the overseas development

minister, visited the former prisoners in Kariovac. A spokeswoman for her department confirmed that the UNHCR letter had been received but said it would have to be considered by several

government departments be-fore any action could be taken. Serb forces are still carrying out "ethnic deansing". Relief workers say that between 200 and 300 displaced people are arriving in Travnik every day from northern Bosnia. They say the Muslims are forced to walk much of the day and up to 10 per cent, mostly men, are killed on the journey by Serb irregular forces.

The European Community has failed to agree a quota system for accepting refugees and former prisoners, despite intense German lobbying. Germany has taken in by far the largest number of refugees and Hungary, Austria, Sweden and The Netherlands

have also accepted thousands. Britain maintains that the victims of "ethnic cleansing", mostly Muslims, should not be spread all over Europe, but kept as close as possible to their former homes. There are now about 35,000 refugees from former Yugoslavia in Britain; they are allowed to stay for up to six months without visas as visitors. Only 3,000 have applied formally for political asylum, adding to a backlog of 57,000 applicants from all over the world. Office said yesterday that they had had received no special request from the Red Cross to accept detainees from Serb camps and refugees were

☐ The leader of the Bosnian Serbs threatened at the weekend to deploy his forces' grounded warplanes to harass Croatian forces in southern Bosnia, and the Bosnia president hinted that the partition of his country was inevitable.

being accepted on an ad hoc

Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb leader, said on television on Saturday that he would seek authorisation from the Geneva peace negotiators to use the planes if the Croats continued to attack Serb territory around Trebnje, in south-ern Bosnia. The Serbs grounded the planes in the wake of the United Nations Security Council vote to ban all combat flights over Bosnia. Alija Izetbegovic, the Bosni-

an president, admitted in an interview that any settlement would have to take more account of Bosnia's ethnic divisions. He said the Muslims would have to go over to a more ethnic concept of Bosnian regions in order to make an agreement with the Croatians. Until now Mr Izetbegovic has opposed cantonisation along



Dig for dirt in ancient brothels

From Richard Beeston in jerusalem MODERN Turkey's ancient ancestors relished the plea-sures of the flesh. Byzantine and other cultures' serving and other cultures' sexual exploits has been an enduring feature on the historical

landscape of the Holy Land. However, the recurring biblical tales of vice hardly prepared archaeologists for the extraordinary findings recently at two sites. in Israel, where historians have unearthed the possible remains of two Byzantine

Gabi Mazor, the director of the Israel Antiquities Authority excavation in the ancient Jordan Valley town of Bet Shean, said that archaeologists first became interested in Byzantine prostitution a few years ago after a dig in the coastal town of Ashkelon.

One building in particular raised suspicions because of the Greek inscription at the entrance which read: "Enter and enjoy yourself". Mr Mazor said: "In the sewage under the building they found the skeletal remains of newly born infants which presumably were the children of prostitutes abandoned in the gutter."

The most recent find at Bet Shean, however, is more extraodinary since the suspected sixth-century bordello is situated in the heart of the once affluent provincial capital of Palestina Secunda and was built by the gover-

nor for municipal use.
"What makes this building so unusual are the erotic inscriptions in the rooms of the semi-circular building which suggest it was a house of pleasure," said Mr Mazor. One inscription reads: "I pour passion like lightening in the eyes. The young women play the song of the dance opposite our

doorway."
Another message adorning the wall was even more explicit: "To the friends of the Magus who decorated the room and amused themselves the night long with the young women. He who rouses passion brings on the joys of love." What exactly went on may never be known, historians say.

Bush plans \$300m penalty as EC trade war starter

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON AND SEAN MAC CARTHAIGH IN PARIS

THE Bush administration is preparing to place punitive import tariffs of \$300 million (£186 million) on French products as the first stage of a widening campaign of retalia-tion against European Community farm subsidies. American sources said that

inless the EC retreats from hardline positions it adopted last week, the administration intends to announce the list of French products, mainly cheese and wines, on November 4 — the day after the presidential election - and to implement the sanctions 30 days later. If the Community still did not back down, the tariffs would be expanded until they covered \$1 billion worth of EC products,

That would almost certainly trigger a transatlantic trade war and scupper any hope of concluding a 108-nation General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) deal to liberalise global trade. A successful deal could inject \$200 billion into a feeble world economy.

Washington holds France

mainly responsible for last week's breakdown of two years subsidies, particularly those for oilseeds, which are the main obstacle to the conclusion of the six-year-old Uruguay Round of the Gatt talks. America apparently plans to make the French the immediate target of its anger with tariffs of 100 per cent or more on its products.

One administration source suggested that November 4. also the day of the next Gatt council meeting, had been chosen to demonstrate that George Bush was serious about sanctions and was not just confronting the Community for electoral reasons. In fact, the administration appears virtually to have abandoned hope of achieving a preelection breakthrough on Gatt that would bolster Mr Bush's reputation as a world leader and champion of free trade. Even if the EC backs down.

both sides would have to move rapidly to save the Uruguay Round. If Bill Clinton wins next week's election, as expected, it would be hard for him, as an incoming president next January, to conclude a deal before his office's congressional negotiating mandate effectively expireson March 1. Nonetheless, Mr Clinton's advisers had discreetly advised the Europeans in recent weeks

against a pre-election deal that

The global stakes are high. A successful Gatt deal could inject \$200 billion into a feeble world economy

helped Mr Bush, saying that that would have been regarded as an unfriendly act.

The administration is evi-

dently focusing on the narrower dispute over EC oilseed subsidies, which it contends have cost American soya bean producers billions of dollars in lost exports. There are about 400,000 soya bean producers concentrated in key electoral states such as Ohio and Missouri. Washington has been arguing for at least five years about the Community oilseed regime, and has won two rulings from Gatt arbitration panels that the oilseed scheme violates earlier free trade

In Paris, Pierre Bérégovoy, the French prime minister, said there would be no concluthe US presidential election on November 3, and warned his fellow EC leaders of a backlash from Europe's farmers if the Community split on the

We will not accept a Gatt agreement unless it is one that completely preserves our agriculture," he told a gathering at the Sorbonne. "We told our farmers that the common agricultural policy was a good thing because it allowed Europe to present a united front at the Gatt negotiations. If the European side is to split and I do not want that to happen — there will be massive anger from the agricultur-

He described the present state of the talks as "labori-ous", but said he would hold out for a balanced agreement M Bérégovoy said that all countries helped their agriculture, pointing to examples of direct grants given by the American government to US farmers. France would not accept a deal at the price of the collapse of French agriculture, with all of the social consequences such an event would bring, he said. "European heads of government understand me because they know that in a democracy you have to take account of the social equilibrium, the economic

quilibrium. Edouard Balladur, the former French finance minister who has a chance of becoming wing wins the general election next March, argued on television that France should not give in to pressure on the Gatt talks and that "the Europeans

should prove their solidarity". M Balladur said he "did not much appreciate" the comments made on the negotiations last week by John Major.

Kohl's tax scheme under fire

Bonn: Helmut Kohl, the German chancellor, was criticised yesterday for his plan to raise taxes to help pay off the huge debt inherited from communist East Germany (Patrick

Herr Kohl faced severe critisism from the opposition, from his coalition partners, from his finance minister and from within his Christian Democratic Union, as it gathered for a vital party congress The three-day congress opens today against the background of an increasingly gloomy economic outlook

Freighter sinks Amsterdam: A Norwegian freighter carrying more than 2,000 tonnes of lead concentrates sank off the Dutch coa.:.

posing a serious pollution threat. All six of the Nordfrakt's crew were picked Banks bombed Ajaccio: Five bombs exploded

outside Consican banks or government offices, causing wide spread damage but no casual-ties, police said. They suspect

Corsican separatists. (Reuter) Three stabbed Port Said: A suspected Muslim militant stabbed three Russian tourists in a market here, Egyptian police said.

The man stabbed one woman in the chest, another in the abdomen and her husband in the shoulder. (Reuter) Cyprus meeting

Nicosia: Greek and Turkish Cypriots resume peace talks in New York today with little hope that this latest round sponsored by the UN will end the 18-year division of their island. The two sides are still far apart on key issues.

Voting halted

Bangui: Elections were suspended in Bangui, capital of the Central African Republic, and at the country's Paris embassy after disturbances, but maintained eisewhere. (AFP)

Firework deaths

Delhi: At least 25 people were killed and more than 100 injured in an explosion in a firework shop in Jaria in eastern India. Witnesses said many more may have died. (AFP)

Vilnius votes on future of Landsbergis

Possibly off Split:

FROM ANATOL LIEVEN IN VILNIUS

THE parliamentary elections held in Lithuania yesterday were contested by 17 political lists embracing 29 political parties and groups stretching from temperance to ecological movements. On one question, however, they were all clearly aligned: whether Dr Vytautas Landsbergis should be president if the new constitution is accepted. A referendum on the draft constitution accompanied the elections.

If the constitution is backed, elections for a non-executive presidency will be held in January. The draft was agreed by all the parties in the outgoing parliament, but the law states that more than 50 per cent of the electorate must vote yes for a proposal to be adopted. Apathy and exterme weather made for a poor

Extremists mount anti-Yeltsin drive

FROM BRUCE CLARK IN MOSCOW

n unholy coalition of forvinists and self-described fascists - all determined to remove President Yeltsin and reverse his pro-Western policies - gathered strength over

With an enthusiasm that marked the liberal democratic movement two or three years ago, thousands of delegates cheered themselves hoarse at the founding congress of a "National Salvation Front", whose specific aim is to overthrow the president.

While most speakers remembered to say they would work within the law, they promised a widening series of protests, including industrial action, street demonstrations and agitation among Russian soldiers and civilians in the Baltic states.

On the fringes both of the congress, and of a separate street protest on Saturday by a militant communist faction, eager youths, some in black

shirts, handed out overtly prolascist literature. As though to symbolise the burying of differences within the anti-Western camp, the congress hall was draped with a huge Soviet flag and the black, gold and white banner of imperial Russia. "The question of who was right in 1917 is a strictly academic one, Mikhail Afstafiev, a nationalist politician, said in a ringing and enthusiastically received appeal for unity between sympathisers and opponents

of Bolsbevisto. Communists and nationalist speakers alike attacked the government for what they called the running-down of Russia's defences, betraying the welfare of ethnic Russians in other republics and selling out the country's economic interests to the International Monetary Fund.

The front's immediate goal is to secure the removal of the entire cabinet, and if possible President Yeltsin himself, at

the session of the Congress of People's Deputies, the su-preme legislature, scheduled for December. It brings together the communist faction in parliament, led by Sergei Baburin, an able young law professor, with figures hitherto seen as potential instiga-tors of extra-parliamentary

"he rise in "mainstream" opposition activity had provided a favourable background for an upsurge in the activity of the ultra-nationalist group known as Pannyat, or memory. Flanked by scores of youths in leather boots and black paramilitary uniform, Dmltri Vasilyev, the Pamyat leader, a burly and loquacious artist, photographer and historian, has used two recent press conferences to spell out his pro-lascist theories.

We do not fear the word fascism, it is a spiritual phenomenon," he said to nods of approval from Orthodox priests who have rebelled against the Moscow patriarchate. In an incident that sent shudders down liberal backs across Russia, uniformed Parnyat activists recently staged what they called visit" to the mass-circulation pro-Yeltsin newspaper, Moskovsky Komsomolets.

Bursting into the paper's morning editorial conference, they read out a denunciation of its "anti-Christian" stance and promised to take "decisive measures" against the paper unless this was corrected. The operation was described in glowing terms by Russia's best-known television presenter. Aleksandr Nevzorov, a friend of Pamyat.

Mr Vasilyev also circum-vents Russia's laws against stirring racial hatred by emphasising that he against Zionism and the Jewish religion, but not against Jews as such. He says that Jews were among the perpetrators of the Holocaust.

Tajik forces defeat coup attempt by ousted president's rebels

Family care: Lidia Santartia recovering in a Rome

hospital at the weekend, with her husband Carmine

Somma, after she gave birth to septuplets. The three boys and four girls, weighing 1 lb to 2 lb, were born two and a half months premature. Two of them died. The Naples housewife had taken fertility drugs for five years

PRO-COMMUNIST forces attempting to seize power in Tajikistan were routed by government forces yesterday, said Alidjon Solibayev, the head of the republic's security forces. The attempted coup has failed. Some of the Kulyabi have fled, the others have been arrested," Mr Solibayev said

of the supporters of Rakhmon Nabiyev, the ousted president. Dushanbe, the capital, is "practically controlled by government forces", he said. Earlier, Russia was strug-

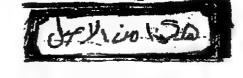
gling to reimpose order on the strategic Central Asian republic as armed factions fought fierce battles for control of Dushanbe. Setting aside interference in a nominally independent state, Russian troops took control of the city's airport, railway station and broadcasting facilities while their commanders tried to broke a settlement. The United States evacuated its diplomats and nationals by air. Latest reports said the Russian-mediated talks yielded a

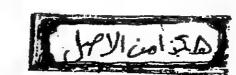
fragile agreement to convene an emergency session of the republic's hardline partiament, a move that could lead to the restoration of the hardline communist president. A Russian commander acted as go-between for Safarali Kenjayev, a key pro-Nabiyev politician, and Akbarsho iskandrov, who has been acting president since Mr Nabiyevwas ousted in September by a coalition of

secular and Muslim rebels. Pighters loyal to Mr Nabiyev used tanks and armouned cars to seize key government buildings in Dushanbe on Saturday morning. His opponents retained control of the interior ministry and the republican KGB and battled with heavy machineguns and grenade launchers to reverse their losses. General Pavel Grachev, the Russian defence minister, said

his forces had taken control of transport installations in order to clear the way for an evacua-tion of Tajikistan's Russian community if necessary. Russian and Central Asian

leaders are alarmed by the clear links between the Muslim wing of the anti-Nabiyev coalition and ethnic Tajik warriors who dominate neighbouring northern Afghani-stan The Tajik-Afghan border is seen as the most likely conduit for the spread of Islamic fundamentalism throughout the southern flank of the former Soviet Union-The Russian foreign ministry said that there could be "catastrophic consequences"-if the current fighting spread, and it proposed the dispatch of a peacekeeping force.





Canada's tribes line up to kill off constitutional package



FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN KAHNAWARE MOHAWK INDIAN RESERVATION, QUEBEC

CANADIANS go to the polls all sides agree that a convinc-today to vote on the Charlotte-ing rejection from any single town accord, the latest package of constitutional reforms aimed at keeping the French-speaking province of Quebec ithin the national confederation and resolving the counlong-running consti-

Quebec apprears certain to reject the accord, which recog-nises the province as a "disaccording to Québecois nationalists, go far enough to rotect French culture and language. The western prov-inces of Alberta and British Columbia will probably vote the same way, arguing that Quebec has been granted too much. Under the strict terms of the constitution, a "no" vote does not destroy all hope of

province will effectively scup-per the deal. The referendum will also be pointedly ignored by many of Canada's 700,000 indigenous people. The debate over the Char-

lottetown accord has rekindled ancient animosities in this vast and deeply divided nation, not just between French and English speakers, but also within the various tribes of Indians and Eskimos, or Inuit as they are called in Canada. Although herent right to self-govern-ment" of Canada's native peoples, many of Canada's 600 Indian tribes will accept

The Kahnawake reserva-tion, home to about 6,000

dirty tricks, including plans to

Mr Bush and Mr Clinton are

both constrained from attack-

Mr Perot is also bent on defining himself this time, with his commercials mostly consisting of glowing testimo-nials from family, friends and

beneficiaries of his charitable

acts. Mr Perot's near-record negative ratings, the legacy of July's abrupt withdrawal, have

plummeted, while polls show that public confidence in Mr

Clinton has been shaken by

Mr Bush's relentless assaults

on his character. Mr Perot is

attracting millions who have

given up on Mr Bush and

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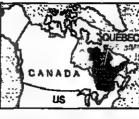
The hostility of native Indians and the Inuit towards the Charlottetown accord is adding to the turmoil threatened by Quebec's separatist French-speakers

Mohawk Indians, lies just across the St Lawrence River from Montreal, but in most respects it is a world away from the rest of Canada. A dour, depressing place of dis-embowelled lorries and shabby shops selling cigarettes at a discount, Kahnawake is the focus of intense Mohawk

The Mohawks are among the most aggressively inde-pendent of Canada's Indian tribes. Many of their chiefs have not only opposed the Charlottetown accord, but have banned the government from setting up polling booths in the reservation. today will have to leave the reservation, but most will

Around George's Harn-burger Paradise, a group of Indian youths in baseball caps huddle out of the rain. smoking chean cigarentes.
"Why should we vote?" one asks angrily. "it is not our problem. We are Indian, not Canadian."

The leaders of the Mohawk nation argue that the accord would affirm a right to selfgovernment that they say is already theirs. They say that the deal would effectively nullify their historic treaty established between



Mohawk nation, in exchange for subservience to Canadian domestic law, which they

regard as alien and intrusive Billy Two-Rivers, one of the reservation's leaders, says that Canada's Indian leaders "should not be advocating participation in a foreign stem". The Mohawks claim that the democratic procedures of a referendum are tainship is hereditary and decisions are forged by an ancient system of consensus. The Mohawks have a long

hawk faction, the Mohawk Nation Office or Mohawk Warrions, took up arms to prevent a golf course being built on sacred ground near Kahnawake, and one person was killed.

The native self-government dause in the Charlottetown accord was principally the grand chief of the Assembly of First Nations, who took advantage of Quebec's separatist dispute to push native claims for self-geovernment. Initially breakthrough that invested Indians and Inuit with the power to manage their lands. waters and other natural resources including oil, gas and

minerals. "For the first time in 125 years, Canadian people will be accepting us on our own terms," announced Chief Mercredi, who yesterday conagreement that now seems doomed. "It is time we asserted our freedom."

Indian supporters of the accord (and there are many) argue that its approval would give them greater control over their affairs and the chance to influence the way federal and provincial funds are spent in

The latest polls indicate that the accord is probably doomed, no matter how Can-ada's native minorities, which form 2 per cent of the total population, vote. Yesterday, a jubilant Jacques Parizeau, the head of the nationalist Parti Quebecois, was declaring a victory for the "no" vote, while Robert Bourasss, the Quebec prime minister, said that such a result would plunge the country back into the constitutional quagmire.

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Perot's sudden surge threatens Democratic victory in the final lap

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

THE strangest presidential Mr Clinton 38, Mr Bush 31 day entered its last full week . Newsweek showed Mr Clinton with a sudden Ross Perot comfortably ahead on 42 per surge beginning to threaten a cent, with Mr Bush on 30 and surge beginning to threaten a Democratic victory that had

of the gap since high summer. New York, the two biggest and offered a glimmer of new states with 87 of the 270 hope to George Bush. The president is attracting barely a third of the vote, but Mr Perot has siphoned off enough of Mr Clinton's support to cut his lead to single figures.

A CBS-New York Times poll.

gave Mr Clinton a lead of just five points, his smallest since tion in July. Mr Clinton had-Bush 35, down three points, and Mr Perot 15, up eight. Confirming the read, a Washington Post Shavey cent, down four points, Mr. late yesterday he had not Bush little changed at 34, and attended any public events. Mr Perot up 11 to 20, his Mr Perot claimed yesterday highest since he returned to that he was driven from the

O If the election were held tomorrow,

for whom would you vote?

and Mr Perot 17. Only Mr Perot on 22.

looked inevitable, and setting Despite the national surthe stage for a nail-biting west. Mr Clinton remains well ahead in most of the key battleground states. With clear favourite, but weekend eight days in go, he looks polls disclosed the first closing massallable in California and electoral college votes required for victory. He also has doublefigure leads in Ohio, Michigan, Illinois and Pennsyl-vania, four critical "rustbelt" states with 84 more votes. At the same time, Mr Perot could prevent Mr Bush taking Texas, the third largest state which

the president must win. ... Mr Perot's utterly unortho-40 per cent down six points dox campaign has shaken since early this month. Mr both the mainstream parties. Since his reentry he has spurned all professional advis-ers and refused most interviews - Before rallies in

the race last month. Time gave race in July by Republican

ce: The New York Times, October 24, 1992

'pro-life' support

FROM JAMEE DETIMER IN WASHINGTON

ANTI-abortion leaflets attack-that the Republicans adopted

ing Bill Clinton have been at their convention in Hous-

distributed to thousands of ton in the summer has re-

are endless. Democratic strategists argue that defectors to Mr Perot would hurry back if they feared Mr Bush might win by default. Mr Perot could voters were reluctant to waste" their vote, or gather momentum as his candidacy became ever more credible. Conceivably Mr Bush's sup-CLOSING THE GAP

port could haemhorrhage to Mr Perot if the president's cause looked hopeless. His support alone has remained virtually static and far too low to win. Last night Robert Dole, leader of the Republican minority in the Senate, said Mr Perot should at least be considered for a position in the next administration if Mr

The New York Times, New York Daily News, Philadelphia Inquirer and Denver Post endorsed Mr Clinton yesterday, while the Houston Post and Houston Chronicle backed Mr Bush. The president was hit by fresh allega-tions on the Iran-Contra and Republicans regret irag scandals. An article in today's New Yorker magazine claims Mr Bush, as vice-president, visited the Middle East in 1986 to encourage Iraqi bombing raids against Iran so Tehran would want more US air defence weaponry, thus increasing Washington's leverage in hostage

Women rally, page 14 Peter Riddell, page 16



Celebrity substitute: President Bush is pitched into a weekend soccer game with members of the Plaza Grill Kids team in Montgomery, Alabama. Mr Bush, on a pre-election tour of the southern states, took to the field as a short diversion from his morning jog

Clinton faces liberal push for rapid job creation

By IRWIN STELZER

"JOBS, jobs, jobs," chanted President Bush when asked to list the three key issues in this campaign. Republicans with-in his administration agree. They are flooding law firms, think tanks and trade associations with their resumes in a frantic search for jobs, jobs, jobs after the election. Believing defeat is nigh, they are dividing their time between blaming others for the administration's failure and making their availability known to

prospective employers.

Meanwhile, the first signs of a Clinton economic stimulus are already being anticipated. Estate agents and removal firms are gearing up to handle the change-over. With some thousands of jobs within the new president's gift, Demo-

crate from Arkansas to California are sniffing around Georgetown and other fashionable sections of Washington in the search for suitable

accommodation. More important is the business of divining the contours of the incoming crowd's poli-cies. Those policies, most experts here agree, would start to become apparent in the event of a victory by Bill Clinton on

That, at least, was the conclusion of a private briefing conducted by four of the nation's leading political analysts for a small group at the American Enterprise Institute. My colleagues Karlyn Keene, Norm Ornstein, Bill Schneider and Ben Wattenberg agree that, in Mr Ornstein's words, "for Bill



[would] start November 4, not January 20." Ms Keene, probably the closest and most skilful of the poll-watchers here, says she has never seen such a degree of economic pessimism as now prevails. growing, albeit slowly, 70 per cent of Americans believe we are in a recession, and 90 per

economy is in unsatisfactory shape. From this, Ms Keene concludes that Mr Clinton would have only a short

Mr Clinton would be joined in his desire for quick action by the new Congress. For the first time in decades, there would be a substantial turnover of members, with perhaps 135 of the 435 seats in the House of Representatives going to freshman pledged to end the gridlock that has paralysed government during

the Bush administration.
Indeed, Mr Schneider
thinks that Mr Clinton may find himself threatened by a runaway Congress, more liberal than he is, eager to enact an expensive "Great Society — Part II". So look for an activist Presi-

dent-elect Clinton. But doing what? There is little question that Mr Clinton's primary mandate is to kick-start the economy. The voters' perception that the economy is sick will not easily be changed by the upturn in business activity that most experts on the economy are predicting will start in the new year. They want action.

Mr Clinton would, at minimum, accelerate the programme of public works in the road-building and other sectors that are already planned, and most likely propose additions to such infrastructure

spending. Dr Stelzer is a resident scholar at the American Institute in Washington DC and is contributing a weekly column to The Times in the run-up to the American election.

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ment would frequently fail.

Furthermore, the author

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Clinton, the first 100 days Health industry awaits radical surgery

FROM ANTHONY HOWARD IN WASHINGTON

Health care in America, the latest Ross Perot advertisement insists, "is in critical condition". It is one proposition on which the independent candidate for the presidency can probably count on commanding general assent. The need to find a better

way of financing the nation's medical care - and of extending protection against illness to those at present uncovered by insurance - is a theme that unites all the three candidates. There is no single system of

health care in the America. The elderly, regardless of means, are looked after under a federal government scheme called Medicare, the jobless poor are catered for by Medicaid, although some estimates have it that less than half of those living below the poverty line are afforded any protection by the programme. Those in another arbitrary category are a good deal more fortu-

families live under the unbrella of what is virtually a national health service in Most Americans, however, meet their health costs through private insurance schemes, with the premiums normally paid by the com-panies for which they work

George Bush and Bill Clinton favour the maintenance of that sort of voluntary system. Big companies have come to expect to supply comprehen-sive health insurance as a regular "fringe benefit", but that has seldom been the practice with small businesses with fewer employees. The result is a marked discrepancy in the private sector between the 150 million Americans for whom ill health has ceased to be an economic terror and the 35 million uninsured for whom it remains not only a medical but also a financial catastrophe.

The argument in the field of health in this election is basically how to solve that dilemma. Mr Perot has been quite ready to draw attention to it, but so far has failed to offer any solution (beyond suggesting that rich people, such as himself, should not be entitled to any benefits under the Medicare scheme). Mr Bush and Mr Clinton have been equally unrealistic in suggesting that they can see ways of overcoming the problem without involving any extra taxes for anyone.

Their approaches are not I wholly dissimilar. Each places his faith in the free market and the price control that he hopes will be exercised by greater competition. To that end, the president and his main opponent have given their support to "health maintenance organisations": sponsoring groups that, they argue, should be able to negotiate better deals with bospitals and doctors on behalf of consumers.

Mr Clinton goes one step further than his rival in being

ready to set a limit on all health spending, whether public or private (how this version of "capping" will work in practice he has perhaps prudently, not yet been disclosed). The president, for his part, says that the setting of any such limit can only slow medical innovation and deny to the people their access to advanced technology. It is hard to resist the

conclusion that neither is addressing the real problem. The congressional budget office has estimated that national spending on health care will rise from \$808 billion (£500 billion) this year to \$1,700 billion in the year 2000. That means that, as a proportion of the nation's total output, it will have increased from 13.6 per cent to 18 per cent in less than a decade. Somehow more radical surgery than has yet been contemplated by either party looks like being required if the health industry is not to distort the entire economy.

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of Randali Terry, the founder of a direct action "pro-life"group, has found little favour. with a Bush-Quayle campaign that in recent weeks has wanted to play down its pro-life position and forget much of the traditional family thetoric it deployed at the start of this year's election campaign: "We have no association with Mr Terry and no comment on his pamphlet," said Toric Clarke, a campaign spokesmen.

American churches. They say

that "the shepherds must

warn the sheep not to vote for the wolf and that Mr Clinton found that 30 per cent were less likely to vote for President "stands for an anti-God agen-Bush because of his antida". To vote for him is to "sin abortion position. Only 18 per against God". In the 1980s, the Republic cent mentioned Mr Clinton's cans were helped by their advocacy, of choice as a opposition to abortion, dove-Until this year, it was protailing as it did with the widely popular Reaganite stance life supporters, encouraged by against permissiveness, and they welcomed the religious right wing's ferocious campaign against pro-choice.

television evangelists such as Pat Robertson and fundamentalist churches, who were more on the basis of abortion. Americans who favoured the Times have changed. The "right to choose" were generanti-abortion leaflet, the work ally not single-issue voters. But with the recent Su-

pelled more voters than it has

attracted: A survey in The Los Angeles Times last month

preme Court decisions backing the legal right of states to pass legislation restricting access to abortion, and after four years of an administration that has prevented federally funded health clinics from providing abortion advice, the pro-choice forces have mobilised support throughout the country.

. Middle-class voters, worried by the advances made by the Anti-abortion has turned. religious right at the Republiinto a vote loser and has added can convention, may have disliked the ease with which yet another hurdle for the president to leap in his effort to abortions were obtained in the connect with independent voters, suburban families, and 1970s, but polls suggest they believe that abortion should be defecting Reagan Democrats. The uncompromising, no example and incest ceptions, and abortion policy in rape and incest. available, particularly in cases

Alienated by sexual stereotyping, American women have a blunt message for men in politics, says Kate Muir



A call to arms: the enthusiasm of a woman delegate listening to Texas governor Ann Richards in 1988 typifies the new mood of American politics

Female legions rally to Clinton

he 1992 American election has been dethe Woman". Of course, 1988 and 1984 elections were declared the year of the woman, too. But this time the slogan comes close to the

In the primaries earlier this year an unprecedented number of women candidates won nominations in the most unlikely places. Surprises included black Democrat Carol Moseley Braun knocking out the male incumbent in Illinois, because 62 percent of the women voting backed her.

The latest figures show 11 women are standing for the 98 per cent-male Senate, and 106 per cent-male Congress. The female candidates have often come up through local and state politics and are on average in their late forties or early fifties. Most are erudite and articulate, but to have any chance of success they must meet American expectations by overdressing like television anchorwomen. Among the warm white wine and runny brie that accomparaising, they have dryly declared their intention to work our earrings off" in the cam-Why will 1992 be different?

First, there is the growing willingness of women voters to support women candidates. Second, the women politicians now have giant fundraising machines behind them. Third, the shift in post-Cold War politics from foreign and defence to domestic recessionobsession means "women's issues" - health care, welfare, family leave, abortion - have suddenly become mainstream. As America turns away from the world to examine its own navel, its politicians

must face beady female eyes. And women voters do not like what they see. A third of Democratic women and a fifth of Republicans say they would rather vote for an opposing female candidate than a man from their own party. More worrying for the suits-in-the-Senate is that women make up 54 per cent of the electorate. An estimated ten million more women will vote than men.

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succeeded in irritating women most. A Wall Street Journal! NBC News poll published 11 days ago showed women favoured Governor Bill Clinton over President Bush by 16 per cent - 3 or 4 per cent more

The main female complaint is the same as the male one: the shrivelling economy. Thereafter, however, President Bush's anti-abortion stance is often cited by Republican women as a turn-off. Pat Buchanan and his cohorts' portrayal of Hillary Clinton as a careerist neglecting her family added to their ire. The convention familyfest, where the entire Bush brood was displayed by its matriarch, was considered to be overkill and Vice President Quayle's terrier-like attacks on single mothers and declining family values have done nothing to improve the average woman's

view of Republicans. The Bush-Quayle campaign utterly misjudged the typical 1990s female mood. Of course, die-hard Republicans, and those who cannot bring themselves to trust the supposedly draft-dodging, philander-ing Mr Clinton, will stay with the Grand Old Party. But the country's biggest interest group is 57 million full or part-time working women. It is larger than the Catholic vote, the black vote, the pensioners vote, the labour vote and the farm vote, and it is showing signs of alienation.

Working women are some of the people most likely to feel

the effects of recession, when a second salary is necessary to keep the household running, or as single parents. The poll showed the issue they most worried about was unemployment Laying a "family values" guilt trip on them about neglecting their children was an unwanted extra.

As Grace Mirabella, the magazine publisher, put it in an acciaimed address to the Republicans in the New York Times: "Keep giving us a weak economy and even more women (includ-

ing the cookie bakers) will be looking for pay-

Wour code words denigrating women and you may find you've unleashed a female electoral force much more powerful that you

ever imagined. Women resent your use of them as symbols of an imaginary way of life that lets you avoid telling us what you would do to lead the nation. We are too smart to buy this.'

As the Bush-Quayle cam-paign watched the gender gap widen, they made some amends. Mr Quayle started talking vaguely about "tradi-tional values" rather than family ones and hobnobbed with single mothers. Then he said if his daughter got pregnant, he would try to persuade her to keep the child, but ultimately it was her choice.

(His wife Marilyn later vehemently denied this.) All this

Few women saw the backfrom-the-dead Perot carnpaign as a sensible option. especially after he made frontpage news by complaining that two female television interviewers were "trying to prove their manhood" by asking him hard-hitting questions. Barlier, he lamented that the biggest problem in his computer company was that

ting married and mood of dissatisfaction your use forth is the same mood which will of them as help female cansymbols' There's a real

> feeling, a back-lash against the old boys' network. People want to see change, and they think women will bring it," says Deborah Davis Hicks, of Emily's List, an acronym for Early Money Is Like Yeast - it makes the dough rise. The List has raised \$5m (£3.1m) for 44 Democratic pro-choice women candidates. They will only back candidates with a

anti-incumbency

good chance of winning.

The List says that in elections, "money is the first rule. the second rule, and the third rule". The two Senate races in California for former San Francisco mayor Dianne Feinstein and former Congresswoman Barbara Boxer are expected to cost between \$10m and \$15m, mostly in advertising. In previous elections, only men had access to such sums.

The Republicans have set up similar organisation called Wish, Women in the Senate and House, which raises funds for their female candidates. The Women's Campaign Fund (WCF) is bi-partisan and raises early money for women politicians standing at both state and local level, as well as those aiming for Washington.

An unexpectedly large source of money has been Hollywood, the home, according to Mr Quayle, of the dreaded "cultural élite". The Hollywood Women's Political Committee (HWPC) has raised \$5m for "progressive issues" since 1984, and is often behind the funding for pro-choice rallies.

The feistiness of the wom-en's campaigns has risen in direct proportion to the recent slights to their sex. The candidates' wives have made an ideal battleground. Marilyn Ouzvie tells the convention that women can be true to their "essential natures" by staying at bome with their children. Hillary Clinton and Barbara Bush are trapped by Family Circle into their faraous chocolate chip cookie bake-off. Sick of being cardboard cut-out role models, American women are about to give politics a shake. The feeling is that if the men in Washington don't get it, let them eat chocolate chips.

In defence of parents low will a lawyer argue the case for he working mothers she represents? f working parents need firm, it is impossible to have the circus skills of a juggler, they also quickly says. "You have to commit

How will a lawyer argue the case for the working mothers she represents?

goals are in no way affected by having children. She em-ploys a full time NNEB nan-

ny. Her parmer Mark Campbell, also a solicitor, is a partner in the City firm Clif-

"Because we do a very similar job, there is no compe-

tition in terms of who works a longer day or who has a tougher job than the other,"

she says. "That makes things

easier in reality as well as in theory. Mark shares a lot of

the work. He does all the cooking and we liaise during the day to see who can get

he says she has a "very good idea" of where she wants the WMA to go in

the next two years. "I'm good at heing an advocate for a cause and especially one I'm emotionally committed to," she says. The association, a charity, has a budget of £140,000, which includes a £15,000 goant from the health denarment. Reed Personnel

department. Reed Personnel Services gives £20,000 a year:

Bbs sponsors the association's publication, the Working Parents Handbook. But the government has made it dear that

grams will no longin be auto-

The WMA's mane could be

thought to be a deterrent for members and sponsors, being not only dowdy and forgetta-ble but discreminatory too.
Why does it stick with it? The

name reliects exactly what the organisation was relien it was formed "Ms McRoberts says. If also reflects the reality,

ford Chance.

f working parents need the circus skills of a jug-gler, they also quickly flexible working patterns," she says. "You have to commit yourself fully, which I am prepared to do. My career realise how much they need each other for mutual support and shared knowledge on everything from local schools to childminders.

it was a lack of such infor-mation that prompted the setting up of the Working Mothers Association in Clapham, London, in 1985. Last week the organisation, now a national network reaching more than 7,000 members and with more than 130 corporate members, elected a new chair - for the first time a. working mother from the busi-As a 31-year-old commer-

cial lawyer and mother of three children aged under five. Laura McRoberts represents for many the living reality of today's working mother. She is a solicitor specialising in UK. and EC competition law for the City firm Slaughter & May and regularly travels overseas Her appointment comes at a

time when 70 per cent of parents with children under five are using some form of childcare, and new initiatives on childcare seem remote.

We believe that the funding for childcare and the creative ideas about family friendly policies are likely to be increasingly provided by and thought up by the private sector. Ms McRoberts says. "Possibly, they will be in partnership with national or local government."

The daughter of a working mother and a working grand-mother has been been as the control of the

mother, Ms McRoberts grew up expecting to follow their example. "My mother was a secretary and always worked. My grandmother was her bome. Sometimes my mother adjustages flowing from that worked part-times and some adjustages flowing from that times she changed her job to this the Michais a support it around us.

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able to look after us. He was a never thought about the fact



Whatever the age, it's time for a put-down

The sexes have never had a good word

for each other

ho said: "A woman's place is in the wrong?" The phrase belongs to James Thurber. The sentiments could be those of Aristotle, Confucius, St Paul, Mohammed, Napoleon, Darwin, Freud and Nietzsche, not to mention Telly Savalas who said: "I adore women. I am their total slave up to a certain point. I pamper them, cater to them, but when necessary, you have

Tama Starr has been collecting such gerns for 20 years and her anthology of them is published this week. According to the 700 quotations in the book, women are stupid, idle, jealous, yain, inconstant and immoral on a good day and just downright evil the rest of the time.

The anthology sets out the "com-plete Theory of Female Inferiority, arranged and presented so clearly that even a woman can understand it". The 50 centuries of instructions and insults range from the downright cruel: "If a woman speaks disrespectfully to a man, that wom-an's mouth shall be crushed with a fired brick" (Urukagina, king of Sumer, 2350 BC) to the merely unkind: "People ask me how many children I have and I say one boy and seven mistakes" (Mohammed Ali,

The smile tends to freeze slightly to the discovery that Hipponax of



Bad mouthing: Hollywood stars Jayne Mansfield and Telly Savalas

Ephesus's 6th century BC dictum: "A woman gives a man but two happy days: the day he marries her and the day he buries her" is echoed down the years in cultures as diverse as the Baikans, Persia, and 18th century England, ending in media mogul Ted Turner's crack: "Henry VIII didn't get divorced, he just had [his wives] heads chopped off when he got tired of them. That's a good way to get rid of a woman - no alimony."

Ms Starr began her compilation when she was studying comparative religion for her masters degree at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. "I was looking for the universal truths religious share I kept coming across this universal lie. They I started steing them everywhere.

"There would be uncarny echoes of, say, 10th century China in something said in 1980s Britain or you would find the proverb Woman

is man's Satan' in Danish, Greek, Arabic, Persian and Russian." Ms Starr is optimistic about the future, however. "It was much harder

to find the moderns. The fellers are watching their lips more carefully these days."

Her research seems not to have jaundiced ber attitude to men. She

was very fond of her father, likes her brother and has been in the same relationship with investment broker Charles Portney for 12 years. She has, however, declined to marry. "My maternal grandfather used to

say 'Don't be too smart, no one will want you' so now I say 'Look I was too smart. I do identify marriage with the giving up of self and I just couldn't bring myself to do that."

 Given the broad lexicon of terms defining woman as overly mouthy — fishwife, nag, scold and the rest — it is surprising that a parallel compilation of insults is not available to women. Is that women are too subtle? Or maybe they don't even care, underlining Virginia Woolf's question, "Why are women so much more interesting to men than men are to women?" None the less, all has not been silence: some

women can't keep their mouths shut. The topics are much the same sex, marriage, the struggle for su-premacy — but where men profess a bernused fury, women offer chilly

The only really masterful noise a man makes in a house," said the French novelist Colette, "is the noise of his key, when he is still on the landing, fumbling for the lock." While Madame de Sévigné declared:

There is also the matter of brains. In Adam Bede, George Eliot had a character admit, "I'm not denyin' the women are foolish: God Almighty made 'em to match the men", while the writer Charlotte Whitton pointed out that "Whatever women do they must do twice as well as men to be thought half as good. Luckily this is not difficult".

As far as sex goes, as two blonde bombshells, respectively Jayne Mans-field and Mac West, have put it. "Men are those creatures with two legs and eight hands", and "Give a man a free hand and he'll run it all

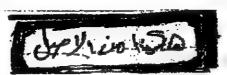
But it is marriage, in the words of New York feminist Karen Durbin, "a story where two people agree to tell the same lie", that elicits the bitterest remarks. Dorothy Parker, who preached the larger sex-war as her daily text, sedulously avoided such entanglements. The playwright Clare Boothe Luce opined. The first man who can think of how he's going to stay in love with his wife and another woman is going to win that prize they're always talking about in

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Let Parker have the last word. Every pain has its remedy: "Where's the man could ease a heart/Like a

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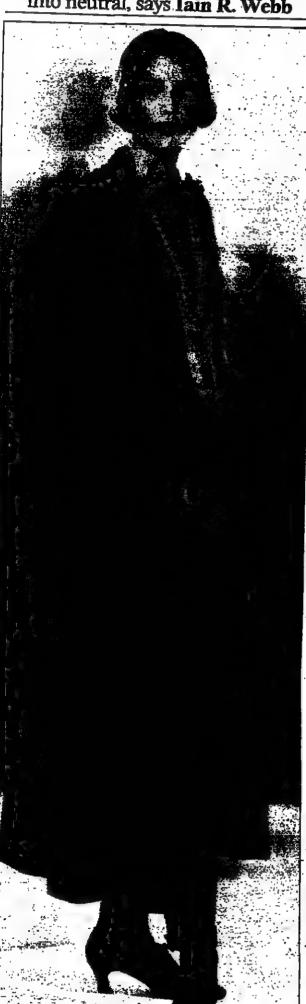
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Greying at the temples

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From couture houses to the high street, it can be exciting to change into neutral, says Iain R. Webb



he word even sounds boring. Grey. The colour of school uniforms, business-men's suits, and the dreary British weather. Grey. Synon-ymous with all things characterless. Television's Spitting Image team paint their lacklustre prime minister John Major as a grey man in a grey suit. What could be more boring? It is interesting, then, to see the colour grey emerge as the predominent neutral for autumn/winter 1992. Ousting beige and navy, grey has become the number one favourite of not only the international designers but also high street emporiums. Everybody

loves grey.
On closer inspection its success is not such a surprise. It is an easy colour (technically a non-colour) to wear, and the least effort is needed to put together a combination of tones. It takes little thought to mix, say, dark charcoal or slate with the paler shades of dove. smoke and pearl, which is definitely not the case when dealing with red, blue, green or any other stronger bue, with the possible exception of black or white. It is the air of tranquility which grey offers that makes it one of the most versatile and useful colours to introduce into your wardrobe, added to which it always looks right, whether cut into a smart, tailored suit, or a more sportive, relaxed look. The foolproof way grey colours flannel, cashmere, silky satins

and chiffons, or even, this

season, fleety sweatshirting.

ensures its status. No matter what, grey works.

. Its revalued reappearance has been given an elegant kick-start by the directional designers. Karl Lagerfeld for Chanel does a sideways take on the dull battledress of the boardroom. His suits are sculpted affairs without a hint of Wall Street. The silhouette is longer and leaner, the effect softened still further by the addition of a diaphanous grey chiffon blouse with a plunge neckline. This juxtaposition of hard and soft, masculine and ultra-feminine, is what makes the new look news, and a far cry from the tough looking two-pieces favoured by the 1980s power dressing Super-

Donna Karan opts for sleek looking pin-stripes, once again teamed with chiffon, this time in the form of billowing scarves knotted as huge neck ties. Undoubtedly one of the

de rigueur accessories of the Another American, Isaac Mizrahi, New York's golden boy of Seventh Avenue, introduced sportswear-inspired grey sweatshirting into his collection, shaping it into uncomplicated floor-sweeping, hip-rugging skirts, topped with comfortable cardigan jackets or more upbeat sleeveless hooded gilets. An uncompromising nod to the great sportswear designer Claire McCardell, and maybe even a passing giance at Coco Chanel, the first to introduce plain knit jersey as high fashion. English designers, too, are





Top, silver pin-stripe jacket, £410, Ronit Zilkha, \$4 Brook Street, W1, and 70 Hampstead High Street, NW1 Silk chilfion spot scart, £39, from selected branches of Jeeger Furgora beret — Kangol — £6.95, John Lewis Partnership Silk flower, John Lewis and other stores

Left, long wool cardigan — Betty Jackson — £257, Betty Jackson, 311 Brompton Road, SW3; Joanna's Tent, 289 BDC Kings Road, SW3; Mango, 19 St Leonard's Road, Windsor Stilk shirt — Edine Ronay — £255, Edina Ronay, 141 Kings Road, SW3; Harvey Nichols, Knightsbridge, SW1 Silky trousers, £99, Jaeger, 200-20ê Regent Street, W1 Long string of pearls, £100, short string of pearls, £49, both Manguette, 20A Kensington Church Walk, W8 Silk flower, from a selection at John Lewis and other stores Crepe ribbon tie shoe, £195, to order from Jimmy Choo, 171-249 2082

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mad for grey, (maybe it's the weather?) using every shade dark and fabric available to them. Jean Muir makes much of a simple V neck cashmere dress, Jasper Conran elaborates on the trouser suit, Edina Ronay wraps her gun-meral matt sequin dresses in huge fake chinchilla coats, while Ronit Zilkha highlights the glamour of grey, taking traditional flannel pin-stripe, jazzed up with the pizzzz of lurex thread. Betty Jackson, arguably Britain's strongest designer of casual chic, uses the entire

shadowy palette, light and Even though the overall

feeling has a mannish hallmark, avoid the John Major syndrome with astute attention to detail: softer touches ensure the look remains on the right side of butch. The wisp of chiffon against grey flannel, a high heel bootie with the new shapely trouser or pencil skirt. eccentric floral displays and low slung pearls leave no one wondering. Behind every grey manly look, there is a great



HOT LINE

Under the hammer

ONE of the biggest collections of haute couture garments to be seen under one roof will be in Paris next month. Couturiers, designers and socialites have donated the clothes for an auction in aid of La Fondation pour L'Enfance, a charity set up by Madame Giscard d'Estaing, the wife of the former president of France, to help underprivileged children. On offer at the Musée de la

Mode et du Costume will be garments by more than 40 designers dating from the early 1960s to now. Star item will be the Givenchy-designed black duchess satin evening shift worm by Audrey Hepburn in Breakfast at Tiffany's. Viewing days are November 16, 17 and 18 at the Musée de la Mode et du Costume. Palais Galliera, 10 Avenue Pierre ler Serbie, Paris 75116. Sale: November 19, 8.30pm_

Golden days

THE Worshipful Company of Goldsmiths will hold an exhibition of the work of Elizabeth Gage, who holds the Queen's Award for export achieve-ment, in the Goldsmiths Hall, November 4-20. Elizabeth Gage has been designing jewellery inspired by mythology and ancient cultures for 20 years and the exhibition will include work previously unseen by the public. Prices: from £1,000 to £50,000.

Who's First?

CHRISTMAS shopping by catalogue is becoming an easy option. One of the best of the new batch is The First Catalogue, launched in June by the Terrence Higgins Trust, and featuring T-shirts by designers Workers for Freedom, Christopher New and Paul Smith (from £8.95), heart jewellery (from £2.95) and a tough black Fashion Axe despatch bag (£22.95). Now the trust has launched The Christmas Catalogue with an exclusive collection of cards, diaries and notebooks, featuring the works of pop artist Keith Haring and photographer Robert Mapplethorpe (notebooks from £3.99, Christmas cards £2 for five). Catalogues: sae to The First Catalogue or The Christmas Catalogue, Terrence Higgins Trust, 52-54 Gray's Inn Road, London WC1X 8JU.

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MUM SAYS SHE LIKES GLASS BECAUSE IT'S RECYCLABLE.

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BOTTLE BANK.



Matthew **Parris**

■ Why do schools persist in teaching foreign languages to children who never learn them?

id you learn reading and writing at school? Can you read and write? Did you learn arithmetic at school? Can you do simple sums? Did you learn French or German at school? Can you speak French or German? Or let's be more precise: are you fluent in a second language?

Are you able, then, at least to get by in a foreign language, where no English is spoken?

Dear me. Are you able, perhaps, to put together simple sentences in your second language? Hm. Still no joy?

Well, try this: can you remember a few basic words — just words, not strung together into any sort of a sentence — in a foreign language? You can remember a few words you say? Congratulations, and welcome to the category occupied by the majority of your countrymen! The government is spending nearly three-quarters of a billion pounds a year getting students up to your sort of level. Fifty-one per cent of Britons, according to the Mason/Parris test, admit that after all their years of learning a foreign language at school, no more than a few basic

words have stuck. I should explain the Mason/Parris test. It was devised by a research assistant and me, and applied to randomly selected British-educated interviewees on the London Underground (Central line) and Docklands Light Railway during a weekday in August. In all we interviewed 100 passengers: an imperfect survey, but point me to any better research into the efficacy of language teaching in British schools and I'll happily substitute it for my own.

And don't bother ringing the Department of Education. The department has no general measure of the success of language teaching. It is now part of the core curriculum, but the miscellany of courses or (as they obscurely put it) "modules", and the alleged difficulty of testing oral proficiency, means that if you ask the government how much of a second language schoolchildren are actually learning to speak. schoolchildren are actually learning to speak. the answer will be a bureaucratic circumlocution for "we haven't the least idea". Hell - what, between friends, is three-quarters of a billion pounds and hundreds of millions of miserable, wasted hours of three million schoolchildren's time for five wretched years of their lives?

ncidentally, that three-quarters of a billion pounds is also a Mason/Parris estimate. The department "cannot estimate" the cost of language teaching. It does know that in 1988 there were about 33,100 language teachers. It doesn't know how many there are now, or where they are, or what they're doing, or for how many hours a week, or why, or with what success. it says inai in 1988 about two-initos of inc teachers were teaching French. That this language is of diminishing use these days outside France need not concern us: the question does not arise, as almost nobody actually succeeds in learning to speak it.

That, at least, on the basis of our Tube survey, is the preliminary conclusion. Our hundred passengers were asked whether, in the language they learnt at school, they were (a) fluent, (b) able to make themselves understood or "get by". (c) able at least to handle a simple sentence, or (d) able to remember only some basic words. Of our 100 interviewees, 51 could remember only a few words, 27 thought they might handle a simple sentence; 18 could make themselves understood in company where no English was spoken; and 4 considered themselves fluent. Of these last, one lived in France, one was a translator, one with the forces in Germany

and one had to speak French for her job. You may agree that an ability at least to make oneself understood, however haltingly, represents a sort of minimum proficiency. On this reckoning we are scoring a 22 per cent success rate. For more than three-quarters of the nation, the attempt to learn a language at school has ended in failure. Compare that failure rate of 78 per cent to the failure to reach minimum proficiency in arithmetic or English, which must be about 2 percent And 1

personally suspect that my survey is optimistic. Is there any other subject so comprehensively taught at which anything like so overwhelming a proportion fail, and fail so completely? What is it about the world of education which stops people asking questions such as: "Is there any point in doing this at all?" Is it the fear that the question might prove too

language, like parachuting, deep-sea diving or learning to ride a bike, is best gone at hard and with a will. It is entirely unsuited to the intermittent, attenuated, low-intensity, low-concentration routine of classroom teaching. We are wasting our money and three million children's time. I honestly believe that if there were no language teaching at all in our schools, as many Britons would have gained a useful grasp of a second language as

For as everyone knows, by far the best way to learn a new language, apart from immersion in the culture, is through an intensive foreign language course. Even here, as teachers in these courses will tell you, unless the student (backed up by the parentl genuinely wants to learn, the effort is wasted. So why do we bother with school French? What are we trying to achieve? Why does the Department of Education not care that we are failing? Does anybody even ask

Most British schoolchildren believe, perhaps correctly, that in the lives they expect to lead they will never really need a second language. They proceed to the not unnatural conclusion that they will not bother trying to learn one. A minority, however, can be persuaded that a second

language is worth acquiring, or fun to learn. The first group should be released: they are only holding the others back and wasting time and money. The second group should be taken seriously and given the time, resources and teachers they need. The present ludicrous littlebit-for-everybody-but-not-much, sort-ofcompulsory, half-cock British educational ritual fails both groups, fails them equally, and fails them dismally. Why do we go on with it?

Talk of a political consensus on active government may be premature, writes Peter Riddell

Which way for growth? The present political turmoil is about much more than John Major's leadembracing two-thirds of the

ership, pit closures or even the Maastricht bill. The underlying battle is about the shape of post-Thatcherite politics and policies. We are still struggling to escape from the preoccupations and mistakes of the 1980s; economically from the results of build-up of debt of that period, and intellectually from an era when almost all government intervention was regarded as bad. In view of the difficulties thrown up by privatisation, deregula-tion and cutbacks in the public

sector, we still have to define a

new role for the state. A parallel debate is under way in America, where much of Bill Clinton's appeal is that he is offering a new agenda, which, however flawed, is seen to be responding to the excesses and failures of the Reagan/Bush era. The link is the talk about active government, strategies for growth and investment in public infrastructure. But does this mean a return to a 1990s version of the alleged Butskellite consensus of the 1950s -

Tory and Labour frontheriches plus the Liberal Democrais? Even after the traumas of the past month, it is possible to

identify some common ground. The shared agenda of the frontbenches would include a belief in an active British role in Europe, a managed exchange rate (code for eventual re-entry into the exchange-rate mechanism), greater attention to re-form of public services, such as education and health, and greater investment in capital projects. The great majority of the Commons, probably two-thirds to three-quarters, are, for example, pro-EC. This inciden-tally underlines what a selfdestructive course the Tory Eurosceptics are on, since the only likely alternatives to Mr

EC than the present prime minister, or the even more pro-EC John Smith.

However, talk of a new consensus looks thin when you move beyond general aspira-tions. There are wide differences between the parties over means; over, for instance, the social chapter, the way education, health and public services should be run. On the economy also the parties are still some way apart, even if the departure from the ERM has put a smokescreen over their exact positions. It is far from clear what the

"strategy for growth" is all about. Umusually, it was sig-nalled first by the prime minis-Major are either Tories such as
Kenneth Clarke, Douglas Hurd
and Michael Heseltine, who are
even stronger supporters of the

ter. We have yet to hear the
seen to mark a new consensus.

There is still a big contrast
between the Tories and Labour
on how to help industry. Minis-

the priority of fighting inflation and had to find some new language to regain the political initiative. As one senior minister put it, "in show that he is not fiddling over Maastricht while Rome burns". Hence the new references to growth and the expansionary impact of the withdrawal from the ERM and lower interest rates. The Trea-sury is now busily trying to catch up with what this might mean before the Autumn Statement on November 12. Ministers with capital programmes and merchant bankers are devising

in public sector projects. But so far there is confusion. However big the loophole on capital projects, I doubt whether the Autumn Statement will be greeted as a dash for growth, or

schemes for private investment

ters want to hold public spending to the existing target for next year in spite of the extra expenditure caused by the recession. This is tighter than last year. A squeeze in some social security benefits and training pro-grammes and a virtual freeze on public sector pay hardly looks a big commitment to expansion though it will no doubt be

interest rates. Gordon Brown has so far been cautious about clarifying Labour's detailed alternative. But the implication of his speech on Eriday is that Labour would not seek to offset the increase in spending caused by the recession and would spend more on an emergency recovery

softened by a further cut in

Both the Labour leadership and Democrats such as Mr Clinton believe that the public is

programme of employment and

investment. So Labour would be

willing to accept higher spending and borrowing in the short term if it helps boost consumer and business confidence and outs unemployment. That begs longer-term questions about the big structural budget deficits in both countries. One of Ross Perot's most telling points is that both Mr Clinton and Mr Bush rely solely on growth to reduce the deficit and are unwilling to face up to the possibility of

higher taxes and spending cuts. That is also true in Britain, where neither party has a con-vincing policy for reducing public sector borrowing. The Tories hope that rough action on spending and growth will in time cut the deficit, while Labour has not yet addressed the issue of whether voters will pay higher taxes to support im-proved public services.

Talk about a new consensus for active government is therefore premature. Public resistance to higher taxes has not been reversed. Instead, there is a demand that something be done about the recession, that

The tragicomedy of Petra Kelly

Bernard Levin wonders at the passion and energy squandered on a life of political absurdity

s I write, it is not clear whether the deaths of Petra Kelly and Gert murder followed by a suicide, or a mutual suicide pact. (Third person murder, it seems, has been ruled out.) Whatever happened, and why, it is sad for more than one reason, and it is the more than one reason that I wish to discuss today.

I turn first to the extensive obituary in this newspaper.

She was brought up in the American civil rights movement ... she took a degree in political acience, worked for two years in Hubert Humphrey's office and joined political demonstrations - notably against the Vietnam war ... Later she worked in Brussels in the EEC Com-mission ... Kelly was attracted into the West German Social Democrat party by Willy Brandr's idealism, but later left in disgust at the hard prag-matism of his successors ... she went on demos and sit-ins everywhere, including Berlin, the Nato HQ, Frankfurt Airport

"We are the anti-party party," said Kelly...she was not convinced of the value of parliamentary action ... she ... became a media idol, being featured on the covers of both Stern and Der Spiegel. This angered many other leading Greens ... she was once deported from East Berlin for twing to demonstrate there trying to demonstrate there against the nuclear arms policies of West and East. In a party deeply split ... Kelly stood in the middle ... She campaigned incessantly for Turkish workers. homosexuals and other minor-ities, for feminist causes, and against pollution and nuclear energy ... She spoke very fast, non-stop with a martic urgency.

I have to say, however tragic her end, that there is something appallingly comic in her life. Every one of the stages of her career, from working for Hu-bert Humphrey, the one man absolutely certain not to succeed in his bid for the presidency, to abandoning Willy Brandt's par-ty because it had a chance of winning power, to her reluc-tance to get involved in parliamentary action in case it might get something done, to the incessant chanting of her im-mense list of mantras ("Nato out. Nato out, Nato out, out, out!"), to Turkish workers and homosexuals and pollution and

nuclear energy (imagine her joy if she found a Turkish homosexual who was against pollution and nuclear energy) - every one of the staging-posts of her via dolarosa marked yet another lost cause, to say noth-ing of those causes which had been lost before she could get close enough to lose them. De mortuis, of course, but no one, certainly not I, would want to speak ill of her; it is the absurdity that leaps to the mind, until her curriculum vitae reads like some of the characters conjured up by Peter Simple — she combined the silliness of Giselle de Frabazon with the "earnest, bearded, grenade-draped Ken Flabb", Reality, it is dear, never even came dose

Which was a pity, because all that energy and passion was worthy of a better home. Only a few weeks ago I was comment-ing on the collapse of the British Green party - a feeble, scattered bunch compared with the intensity of their German countouched upon some of the reasons that such bodies, however clamorously launched, always wither, crumble and eventually disappear. I omitted one other cause, perhaps the most important, it is the way that such bodies put about claims which have no substance and which indeed are manifest-

enough to touch her.

There was, very recently, just such a ridiculous episode; we were told that because of the nature and toxicity of the pollution we breathe, half the population will shortly be suffering respiratory problems. (No doubt there is at this moment a group working on a claim that the other half will shortly be

following suit.)
True, the Greens and their True, the Greens and their like have a problem; to keep themselves in the public eye, they must bid high in the auction, by announcing that, say, raspberry jam kills 17 million people a year in Britain alone. But the more gross and unbelievable are the claims, the less the public takes notice of them and quite rightly.

them, and quite rightly.
When I am Imperial Censor
of the Written Word, my first
action will be to forbid anyone

copies were issued in the re-

search department, and then it was leaked. We did not commis-

sion Guy Rowlands to write it.

He has now resigned."

Nevertheless the row with

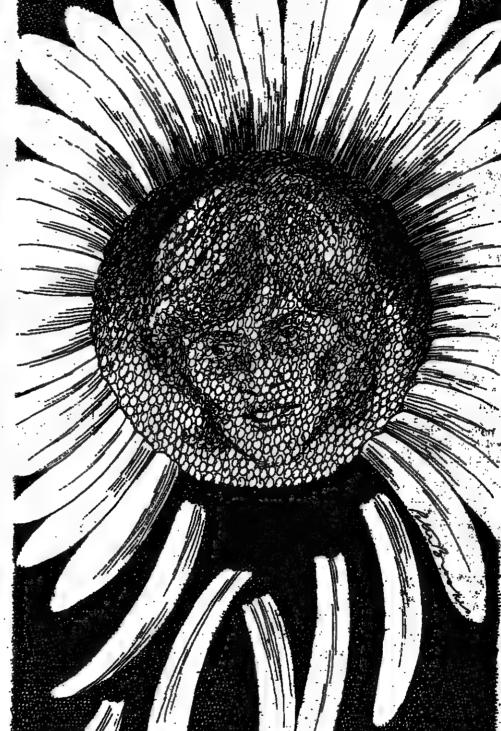
Patten has worsened relations between Fowler and Andrew

Lansley, director of the research

department. Lansley is in even

more hot water for remaining in Germany with ministerial advisers last week rather than

heeding Fowler's advice to re-turn to brief MPs and help defuse the pit-closure rebellion.



to use breakthrough on pain of being sentenced to read the whole of Proust, backwards. What the groupuscules will do then, I do not know, but I doubt. if it will be to shut up. Whatever were the reasons for Petra Kelly's death, disillusion must surely have had a part in it, and probably a great part. It is bad enough to be compelled to slog on, year after year, towards a whole green movement. But so

goal that gets no nearer, watching the faithful, one by one, slip away (are there any members of Vanessa's Loonies left, apart from the lady and her brother, if be?); it is much worse to have to fight incessantly against mem-bers of your own side.

That was the fate of the German Greens - who, it must be remembered, started the

fanatically, implacably, mwa-veringly determined to be de-feated were the rank and file, that when Petra Kelly became known not only in Germany but in many other countries, her party in the Bundestag (where it had 28 seats), voted her off the executive of the party and off the parliamentary front bench, and even tried to get her thrown out

after that episode, the Greens lost all their Bundestag MPs, and have never got any more.) And the tragedy is that she berself was streped in the cul-ture of defeat, that defeat which is invited because of the danger of victory. For in victory, compremises must be made, proposals must be dropped, alliances must be forged retreats must be considered — in other words: reality must be called in. he the end, these people, for all their end, these people, for all their endows and beliefs and pamphiles on recycled paper, are only playing a game, and a childish one at that. What could she first to he for?

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which no one can get indignant about, now, nor the heady feeling of being thrown out of East Bedin, because there is no such thing any more. All that remains is Turkish workers and homosexuals, and no one could make a life out of those.

But what a wastel It is summed up, perhaps, in an item in the obituary which parales me. She loved sit-ins, evidently, and one can see why, whien the target was, say, Nato headquarters. But the list incindes Frankfurt Airport, and for the life of me I cannot understand what Frankfurt Airport had done to deserve a sit-in. Perhaps she did not know herself; living so hectic a life, dashing from sit in to sit in, it would have been easy to get the schedule confused, and find herself sitting-in on a harmless sirport instead of the cholesterol manufacturer who was intended. May she rest in peace; it would be for the first time.

Fowler and brimstone

JOHN PATTEN, stung by a confidential Conservative Central Office report branding him a vote-loser in university towns, has demanded an explanation from Sir Norman Fowler. The report said Patten's tub-thumping image did not go down well in "highly sophisticated and culturally liberal seats".

To make matters worse the document, written by Guy Row lands at the Central Office research department, pinpointed six seats allegedly made vulnerable by Patter's style, and they included the education secretary's own, Oxford West and Abingdon.

Patten has written to Fowler. the party chairman, seeking an apology after the document was leaked to his local newspaper. The report claims Patten employs "too much fire and brimstone and ill-defined attacks against educational experts". It further states that there are not enough attempts to raise morale in the profession and this could threaten "education seats". Central Office says that the

matter has been straightened

out with Patter. "We have

disowned the report. Five

Making her marks WITH her husband in the headlines in recent weeks, for all the wrong reasons, Christa von Richthofen is about to make some news of her own. One may recall that Hermann von Richt-hofen, the German ambassador, is said to have leaked the

Bundesbank's reply to Treasury criticism of its ERM role.

Now Christa has produced a coffee-table book, Germany. which extols the virtues of a united country. Weldenfeld & Nicolson has saved readers the trouble of seeking out any con-tentious material. Publicity merely states: "This timely publication is a visual portrait of a united Germany that makes no mention of the Bundesbank."



One of the first tasks under-taken at the weekend by David London, has found itself Montgomery, the new Mirror Group chief executive, was a surprise visit to Giasgow to in-spect the company's Scotish papers. Almost immediately on arrival he was seen antonia the arrival he was seen entering the office of Jim Cassidy, editor of The Sunday Mail. Ten minutes later an astonished newsroom heard that Cassidy had been sacked. The ensuing uproar only subsided when the journalists realised the Cassidy involved was not Jim but Terry, chief executive of Celtic football club. A relieved Jim Cassidy said: "I heard the uproar -- but I'm glad to say my job is safe . . .

City limits

THERE is a small corner of Arizona that is for ever London and a rare old fight, reminiscent of the Wild West, has ensued.

the edge of the Mojave desert.

In 1973, when Robert MoCulloch bought the old London
Bridge and had it rebuilt in
Lake Havasu City, he gave the
City of London one acre of land - including the pub - as a to-ken of his thanks. Now Brad Golman, chief appraiser for Mojave County, is demanding

cated last year by a tenant who made a speedy departure with all the fixtures and fittings. The pub is now in a state of disrepair and we are in court in Arizona to get him to meet his obligations under the lease."

The former Lord Mayor of London. Sir Christopher Collett, has just returned from Ari-2011a. "We have been left with a problem," he admits. "The last tenants did not pay the rent. The roof is leaking and it is a sharplage."

shambles."

The pub's landlord, Tom Flatley, rakes a different view. "We paid the rent and we are one hundred per cent current. I tried calling the Brits numerous times to tell them their building was falling apart and in need of repair but they would not part with a nickel." Meanwhile the pub stays shut and Arizonan connoisseurs of British beer continue to go thirsty.

Family panning

ALTHOUGH Happy Families, one of the cherished card games of yesteryear, is being re-launched by Waddingtons for Christmas in modern guise, the \$130,000 in umpaid back tax from the City of London.

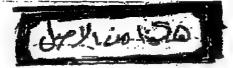
Andrew Colvin, legal counsel for the City, says the tax is due from the last tenant. "It was vacated last year by a tenant who century popular art, are being replaced by such icons of the 1990s as Mrs Fax the Account Executive. Rev. Seemly the Vic-ar, the Greens, the Snaps et al, it is the Polls and the Greeds which may bring most joy. The Poll family, inventions of the cartoenist Trog and political

columnist Simon Hoggart, consists of Mr Poll (Sir Edward Heath), Mrs Poll (Baroness Thatcher), Miss Poll (Edwina Currie) and Master Poll (John



Major). Bester still, the Greeds are made up of Captain Bob, Betty, Kevin and Ghislaine

Correspondence in The Field insisting that good hunismen eat everything they shoot reaches new heights in the November issue. "The central indian sloth hour is not to be an sloth bear is not to be recommended," writes M.W. Lowndes. "We had nothing else for Christmas dinner one year, it stank before it even reached the table. I managed a bite just to say I had eaten it."



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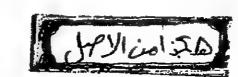
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POWERLESS PLAY

The prime minister's election threats harm his own case

This is no time for John Major to be making bravura gestures. He could have been strengthening his position by taking a clear lead on the economy and by quietly marshalling his parliamentary forces for the next difficult decisions the government has to take. Instead, over the weekend, he was suggesting that if Parliament failed to ratify the Maastricht treaty, he would call a general election. He seemed virtually to be challenging his opponents to call his bluff at a time when he has neither a hand nor a sleeve full of aces.

What are Mr Major's high cards? The most valuable is the belief that any possible successor to him is likely to be more pro-European than he is. Yet so passionate is the prime minister's attachment to the Maastricht treaty that he is putting even this proposition, in practice, to a severe test.

Mr Major must be assuming too that those Eurosceptics who might otherwise have voted against the Maastricht bill would come into line when faced with the threat of a general election. It is, however, an empty threat. No Conservative leader would be allowed by his party to surrender the government to Labour within months of winning a majority at a general election.

Even if Mr Major got to Buckingham Palace before the men in grey suits got to him, the Queen's private secretary would be forewarned that the prime minister did not have the backing of the party in asking for a dissolution. He would be replaced by someone who could muster a majority in the House, even if that majority had to be achieved at the expense of some fudging

Moreover, by turning the Maastricht bill into a vote of confidence in the government, the prime minister is handing the issue on a plate to Labour. At the moment the Opposition is divided on tactics. John Smith is reluctant to vote against Maastricht because he agrees with the treaty on principle. But once offered the chance to. bring the government down, how could he fail to carry out the the duties of opposition? He would at last be able to vote against the bill with a clear conscience.

Even if Mr Major's party did allow him to hold a general election, the result would not turn on the different parties' policies on Europe since they all support the ratification of Maastricht. People would end up voting on other issues, such as the government's economic competence. Whether or not Labour were finally to seize its chance of victory, the problem of Europe would remain unresolved.

The only effective way of taking the European question to the country is to hold a referendum. Short of that, the prime minister could still have saved face and avoided unnecessary battles. He could have said that he was not intending to stake anything on the paving debate on Maastricht, that it would merely be a temperature-taking exercise, designed to elicit what the House of Commons really thought.

With an anodyne enough motion, and either support or abstention from Labour, Mr Major would have won a clear majority which he could have cited to his European colleagues as evidence of Britain's good faith. Then be could have postponed ratification until economic recovery was under way and his backbenchers were less

aggrieved. Instead Mr Major seems to have decided to take on his enemies where he is most vulnerable. That is at best rash, at worst

CANADIAN CRACKS

Break-ups need not be as bad as before

Canada's uncertain future as a country is alliance with the north-western states of one of the most consistent elements in its character. Today Canadians are once again scrabbling for a constitutional formula that will keep their fractious French-speaking minority within the national fold. After three bruising months of debate which have brought ancient divisions even closer to the surface than usual, Canadians will vote on whether to approve the Charlottetown Accord, a package of reforms aimed at curing the nation's long-running constitu-

tional paralysis. After two years of back-room political unwieldy, confusing document, a thing of threads and patches, offering concessions to most of the country's diverse interest groups, and satisfying none of them. Outside Quebec there is resentment that the province has been singled out for special treatment as a "distinct society"; for many Quebecois, their promised treatment is not special

enough. The provinces of Alberta, British Columbia. Manitoba and Quebec are all poised to reject the accord. Just one of these would probably be enough to kill it - an outcome that could either fragment the country along the lines of language, culture and region or plunge it back into another bout of

wrangling. The forces of separatism in Quebec will be greatly strengthened by a no vote. Jacques... Parizeau, head of the nationalist Parti Quebecois, is already laying out a timetable for independence. The wealthy western provinces, already disenchanted with the eastern provinces and infuriated by Quebec's recalcitrance, might also break away. entering into closer economic and cultural

America and possibly taking with them Saskatchewan and Manitoba. That would leave Ontario. Canada's industrial heartland, to go it alone.

None of this will happen overnight. But with the country already weary and bored by the protracted negotiations, an emphatic no vote would galvanise the forces of separatism and critically weaken the central government.

Does this matter? Probably not much, at least to the rest of the world. The security implications of a divided member of Nato before communism fell.

The future of the North American Free Trade Agreement would clearly come into doubt. The International Trade Commission has already stated that an independent Quebec could not count on an automatic extension of free trade within the United States. Meanwhile Canada's Royal Bank has published a survey concluding that a fragmented Canada would be pushed deeper into recession, while an independent Quebec would see the emigration of "one million of the brightest and best" Englishspeaking citizens.

Divorce would not be easy. The emergence of new states would demand cool diplomacy and understanding, especially by the United States. Canadians may later find they prefer some loose association. But whatever the outcome, Canada has the tolerance, wealth and democratic tradition to face up to changes that in most countries would herald only strife and bloodshed. After the end of the Cold war, some peoples at least can be given more choice about how they want to live.

THE END OF THE WORLD

Spineless contemplation is the best policy

August 14, 2116, will be a bad day to be in the office. The Big Bang will seem but a whimper, the stock market crash a mere ripple on the nation's affairs compared with the explosion that will occur when a comet slams into the Earth with all the force of over one million atomic bombs going off at the same time. Swift-Tuttle, as this far from heavenly body is called, is already hurtling towards this planet at astronomical speed. The impact of the five-mile wide agglomeration of ice, rock and other celestial debris will blast an enormous crater, darken the sky with dust, and cause fires and tidal waves engulfing most of the world. It will be a bad

day at the beach as well. Scientists seem annoyingly vague about an event that they promise will bring life to a sudden full stop. They cannot tell whether it will occur in the morning or the afternoon, nor where the greatest area of risk will be. Will the comet wipe out Bulgaria, Sudan or the republic of Scotland? Will it further hit property prices in the south-east - which, no doubt, will still be depressed? Will the dust cause global warming, with the gases from the fires adding to the greenhouse effect, or will it bring on a new ice age by blotting out the sun? Maybe it will cause both simultaneously, thus neutralising the effects, rather like turning on the air conditioning and the

central heating at the same time. Perhaps the scientists should make their sums public. No hurry, of course there is time to check the equations in the next century and a haif. But by altering a decimal point or two, they could contrive to have it and save several billion sleepless nights. Better still, they should publish a plan now on what to do in case they are right.

A national effort to dig deep caves would seem the obvious thing. Mao Tse-tung, with extraordinary prescience, got all China to dig tunnels just on the strength of his little red book, so at least there will still be some underground Chinese restaurants left after Armageddon. Potholing will become a favourite sport, and speleology a more popular science. All that childhood enthusiasm for dinosaurs will be put to good use: they were arguably the victims of a similar mishap, and their fate could be a useful lesson to us all.

The scientists will be under some popular pressure to devise a way of avoiding the collision. This means either moving the earth or stopping the comet. The former is rather risky: detonating a massive explosion to alter the earth's orbit could lead to exactly the same problems as the predicted collision, and in any case spinning off into an unpredictable path around the sun would make it difficult to calculate the dates on which Easter falls.

Blasting the comet out of the sky would be cheaper: star wars research would take on a new lease of life. There is talk even of landing a power unit on the incoming body so that it could fire it off into a different direction - but this sounds rather tricky at such speeds. Placid contemplation of the world's fate seems somewhat spineless. But this has always been the method of dealing with Armageddon and cometary cataciysms miss the world by at least a comfortable mile in the past. And so far it has always worked.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Pay, taxes and investment as elements in the economy's road to recovery

From Mr John Grieve Smith

Sir. Your call for an expansionary economic policy ("A blueprint for Britain's future", October 22) is welcome, but it is confusing and illogical to say at the same time that the budget deficit should be reduced. The depth of a recession is not the time to cut public expenditure (or raise taxes) and so reduce demand even

The argument for low public-sector pay increases is not to reduce public expenditure but to help avoid a renewal of inflation when activity does begin to recover. But this calls for moderation in the private as well as the public sector.

The CBI and TUC could make a major committeein to recovery by getting together now to hammer out an agreement on pay bargaining. This would avoid a renewal of the wage/price spiral which has proved so persistent in the past. It would be much easier to take such an initiative while wage demands in the private sector are relatively low, rather than wait until recovery gets under way.

Yours faithfully, JOHN GRIEVE SMITH. Senior Bursar, Robinson College, Cambridge. October 22.

Sir. Barclays has told one of my clients that he will have to pay 3½ per cent above the base rate for future borrowings, as opposed to the 2 per cent which he and I negotiated a year or so

The reason given is that the bank cannot make a profit on a differential of only 2 per cent. The recent 2 per cent reductions in base rates have therefore benefited my client by only 5 per cent.

Yours faithfully, P. W. HART (Accountant) Wealden Barn, Bethersden Road, Smarden, Kent. October 23.

From Mr Simon Hetherington

Sir, Your guide to economic recovery contains some sensible advice to the government, but I cannot agree with the suggestion that mortgage interest tax relief be abolished from November, 1993.

The removal in 1988 of double tax relief for unmarried joint owners created a rush for property which boosted prices. Increased interest rates and rising unemployment have led to many thousands of repossessions and the present decline in values has caused the "negative equity" which now abounds. Businesses associated with the

Happy in Brum

From Professor David Lodge

Sir. In an article on the Birmingham

construction and conveyance of property have emerged and sunk as a direct result of the 1988 measure. It would surely be dangerous to apply the kind of stimulus which has been shown to do more harm than good. If the tax relief must be abolished — and I do not believe that it should - let it be with immediate effect.

Yours faithfully, S. P. HETHERINGTON. 42 Goodwin Gardens. Croydon, Surrey.

From Sir James Cleminson

Sir, All are agreed of the need to get the economy moving forward again but few seem to appreciate that a Gart agreement (leading article, October 23) is vital to it.

France must not be allowed to stand in the way. Europe needs to act before the American presidential election.

Yours faithfully. JAMES CLEMINSON (Chairman, British Overseas Trade Board, 1986-90). Loddon Hall, Hales, Norfolk. October 23

From Mr N. Rattee

Sir. To pay for the measures suggested in your blueprint it would be a lot fairer to freeze tax allowances for a year than child benefit or pensions.

Most young mothers and pensioners have had far lower income increases during the 1980s than the working population as a whole.

If more money still is needed to implement the measures effectively. the raising of income tax to 50 per cent on all incomes above, say, £50,000 a year should be considered. These are the people who have done best during the Thatcher years from the Lawson tax cuts.

Yours faithfully, NEIL RATTEE. 2 Grove Avenue, Little Waldingfield, Sudbury, Suffolk.

From Sir William Barlow, FEng. President of The Royal Academy of Engineering

Sir, I welcome the prime minister's decision to "create a strategy for growth" and to ease Treasury rules on the funding of large public-sector projects (report, October 21). One way in which this commitment could be demonstrated is by making a positive announcement on the future of the Jubilee line extension for London Underground.

The full commencement of the project would give a much-needed boost to engineering manufacturing as well as the construction industry. The many thousands of jobs created would not only be in London but nationwide.

Some £200 million has been spent or committed so far; other contracts for the line are ready to be signed. Cancelling or even further delaying the project risks a substantial waste of

Yours sincerely. WILLIAM BARLOW, President.

The Royal Academy of Engineering, 2 Little Smlth Street, Westminster, SW1. October 21.

From the Director General of the British Aggregate Construction Materials Industries

Sir. The new approach to economic policy set out by the prime minister is very welcome to our industry. The state of the construction industry means that almost unlimited capacity exists not only to fulfil present programmes but to do more without

any inflationary pressures. It would be a crashing waste of resources and a source of vet more unemployment if any public construction programme were to be cut in any department in the present expenditure review. And such action would

be directly contrary to the new policy. There has to be a warning note about private finance for major infra-structure works: this should not only be new and additional money but should be for new and additional schemes. Any attempt to bring private finance into, for example, highways schemes already scheduled to start next year would cause disruption and delay and frustrate the aim to have public construction investment play as it will - a major part in economic

Yours faithfully. ROBERT PHILLIPSON, Director General, British Aggregate Construction Materials Industries, 156 Buckingham Palace Road, SW1. October 23.

From Dr David Le Vay

Sir, Many people have sustained financial anxiety and loss, excessive mortgages and home repossessions. business failures and bankruptcies, increasing unemployment and worries about their children's future - all in aid of a government policy that we were assured was necessary to win through to happier times. When, on Black Wednesday, it

became apparent that this policy had failed, it was the plain duty of the prime minister to address the nation. explain what had happened and why. make the necessary apologies, and help us to see some sort of way ahead. The situation has been compounded by the brutal treatment of the miners.

The British warm to a leader who tells things as they are, admits error and shoulders responsibility. Such a leader they do not have. His latest defence of his new economic stance (report, October 21) still shows no

Yours faithfully. DAVID LE VAY 6 Garstons, High Street, Burwash, East Sussex.

tinge of remorse or real hope.

From Mr Harold Becker

Sir, You may well be correct in advocating dramatically lower in-terest rates in order to aid the economy, but what about the millions of retired people who eke out their existence with the interest from savings invested in building societies or similar institutions? Surely, the time has come for such interest to be exempt from taxation.

Yours faithfully. H. K. BECKER, 41 Meadowside, Cambridge Park, Twickenham, Middlesex.

From Mr B. Russell-Jones

Sir. Missing from your measures to stimulate the economy is any suggestion that VAT rates should be reduced forthwith - and boldly. This would surely act as a stimulus; it would be counter-inflationary for a worthwhile period; and over a year or so the revenue from VAT - even given quite a large reduction in rates - would probably be much the same as it is in the present state of the economy. Rates could be readjusted as may be necessary as the economy recovers.

Yours faithfully, B. RUSSELL-JONES, Barncroft, Long Compton, Shipston-on-Stour, Warwickshire. October 22.

From Mr C. I. Cowan

Sir, Peter Segal, director of a computer recruitment company, who joined the miners' march on Wednesday, raised an interesting moral question when he said, in relation to the miners, that he was ashamed he is "doing quite well" (report, October

Some two years ago I acquired the assets of a bankrupt computer business and, thanks to the exceptional efforts of my staff, it has fully recovered and is expanding, despite the difficult economic conditions.

Amongst the emotions I may feel about our apparent success, shame is not included.

CLAUDE COWAN, Managing Director, AppleCentre Cambridge, 5 Chifton Court, Cambridge.

EC plans 'a threat' to art market Forms of address

summit (October 17) your corres-pondent, George Brock, reported: "Birmingham did not impress the Sir. Britain's position as a major reporters who went to check out the summit backdrop beforehand. 'It is a black hole without any personality'. David Lodge, the local novelist, told a Belgian paper."

I have given no recent interview to

any Belgian journalist. On investiga-tion I have discovered that the words quoted are Mr Brock's rather free translation of one sentence from remarks attributed to me in the Belgian newspaper Le Soir on Octo-These concern Birmingham's city

centre (a rather different matter from "Birmingham") and appear to come from an old interview, probably predating the construction of the International Conference Centre and Symphony Hall and associated developments, which I am on record as having welcomed. Whatever words I actually used, before they were decontextualised and twice translated, i very much doubt if they included "black hole".

The sentence quoted in your article, given special prominence by the photograph that accompanied it, in no way represents my view of the city in which I have lived happily, and by choice, for the last 30 years.

DAVID LODGE, 14 Harrisons Road. Edghaston. Birmingham 15. October 21.

In for a soaking

From Ms Judith Lever Sir. Well aware that terms like

weatherproof" and "waterproof" have little meaning in the UK, when I went to buy a raincoat in New York I spent some time quizzing the salesman about what "waterproof" on the label actually meant (letter, October 14). He was bewildered by my question - to him "waterproof" meant "waterproof". Finally, to quell my doubts, he led me to a washroom, helped me put the raincoat on, filled a bucket of water from a tap, then threw it at me. The coat was indeed impermeable and I stayed dry. I bought it and wore it for several years. It's high time that in this country

Yours faithfully, JUDITH LEVER. 52 Westbourne Park Road, W2. October 18.

"wateromof" meant "wateromof".

are available in other EC states so that From the Chairman of the Society of

London Art Dealers and others

international art centre is under threat from proposals now being considered in Brussels. London is rivalled only by New York as a market for works of art, a position which will change if current proposals concerning value-added tax and exports are

The first threat comes from the plan to harmonise VAT which would impose tax on all works of art entering the European Community. At present such imports into Britain are free of VAT and this is a major factor in the leading position of the London art market. Imports of fine art and antiques in 1991 exceeded £1.45 billion, of which more than half came from outside the EC. The effect of an import tax would be to divert this trade towards countries outside the Community.

Britain is the only member state of the EC which has a substantial art trade sustained by sellers of works of art from outside the EC and will therefore be uniquely affected by these measures. In recognition of this, the British government has stood alone against the proposed tax.

We are also concerned about proposals regarding the treatment of the work of living artists for VAT. We believe that special arrangements should be made so that first sales by artists should be free of VAT. If this cannot be the case, then in our view a concessionary rate is essential for this group, not least because concessions

Sir. The solution to Mr Pengelly's

problem (letter, October 14), is to invest in a riding mac. These are

absolutely impervious to water.

5 London Road, Arundel, Sussex.

Sir, Mr Pengelly may like to know that the British Standards Institution

publishes standard BS 3546, "Coated

fabrics for use in the manufacture of

water penetration resistant clothing".

which lays down the recommended

tests and performance requirements

and water vapour-permeable coated

of fabrics for use in rainwear.

From Dr.A. F. Roberts

Yours faithfully. AUDREY ROBERTS.

From Mr F. Broadbent

October 14.

currently artists' work is more expensive here than in France or Germany for example. In addition to the problem of VAT,

the Commission's proposals to regulate the export of works of art and to provide restitution of illegally exported works of art will add an enormous administrative burden to the art market. Whilst we sympathise with measures taken by member states to prevent the illegal export of their national treasures, the present proposals are unnecessarily unwieldy and bureaucratic. The measures would also introduce uncertainty which would add further discouragement to owners of works of art from outside the Community from selling their property on the London art

Taken together, these proposals pose an unprecedented threat to an area of trade in which Britain has historically excelled.

Yours faithfully, DAVID POSNETT. Chairman Society of London Art Dealers. CARRINGTON (Chairman, Christie's International plc). GOWRIE, (Chairman, Sotheby's Europe). A. F. SPINK (President, British Antique Dealers Association). The Society of London Art Dealers. 91a Jermyn Street, SW1. October 23.

tabrics. It requires a variety of rigorous tests which include waterpenetration resistance, strength and colour fastness.

So when buying a raincoat, or any other waterproof clothing, customers should check that the fabric complies with BS 3546. Yours sincerely,

F. BROADBENT (Project manager), British Standards Institution. Linford Wood. Milron Keynes, Buckinghamshire. October 23.

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This standard covers everything Letters to the editor that are intended for publication should carry a dayfrom polyurethane and silicone elastotime telephone number. They may be mer coated fabrics to PVC, natural and synthetic rubber coated fabrics sent to a fax number 071-782 5046.

From Mr R. H. T. Hingston

Sir, I am sure your readers were nelieved to hear from Mr Hugh Kemp (letter. October 12) that he had survived a stay in intensive care regardless of the manner in which he was addressed by staff there. I survived a similar experience.

The staff - diligent, kind and competent - called me by the first of my forenames, which I have never used. Thus the enquiry, "Are you alright, Richard?" elicited no response from me and led to all manner of modern medical devices being deployed for my benefit.

Yours faithfully, R. H. T. HINGSTON, Chase Farm, Fernhurst, Nr Haslemere, Surrey. October 12.

From Mr Hugh Gibson

Sir. In business circles, immediate use of one's Christian name is now commonplace, both in writing and on the telephone; often, in my experience, by people I have never met. "Please call me Mr" seems to give them as much offence as their unauthorised use of my Christian nome causes me.

Yours faithfully, HUGH GIBSON, 42 Lauderdale Tower. Barbican, EC2. October 12.

Harder to remember From Mrs Marjorie Smith

Sir. I wonder if I am eligible to join the Craft (Can't Remember a Flip-ping Thing) Club (letter, October 22). as I recently forgot my first dental appointment and turned up a week too early for the second one.

Yours faithfully, MARJORIE SMITH, Aysgarth, 23 Mount Road, Higher Bebington, Wirral, Merseyside.

From Admiral Sir William O'Brien

Sir, A founder member of lan Robertson's Craft Club must be the American lady, invited to a function on board my ship in Saigon in 1958, who arrived an hour early, apologised for being late and left before the party started.

Yours faithfully. W. D. O'BRIEN. The Black Barn, 46 High Street, Steeple Ashton. Trowbridge, Wiltshire. October 23.



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE October 24: The Duke of York this evening attended the Trafalgar Dinner at St George's Hall, Liverpool and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Menseyside (Mr Henry Cotton).

Captain Rupert Maitland-Titlerton was in allendance. BUCKINGHAM PALACE October 24: The Prince Edward this evening attended the Annual Dinner of the Royal Tennis Court at Hampton Court Palace. CLARENCE HOUSE

October 24: Dame Frances Campbell-Preston has succeeded Miss Jane Walker-Oknover as Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Elizabeth The

BUCKINGHAM PALACE October 25: The Prince Edward.

Today's royal

at the Savoy Hotel at 12.15.

Birthdays today The President of France celebrates

his birthday today.
The Viscount of Arbuthnott, 68;

Mr John Arden, playwright, 62; Sir Andrew Carnwath, banker, 83;

Mr Ian Chapman, former chair-man, William Collins, 67; Sir Joseph Cleary, former MP, 90; Sir Percy Cradock, diplomat, 69; Mr Paul Daneman, actor, 67; Profes-

sor W.A. Deer, former vice-chan-

cellor, Cambridge University, 82; Professor R.A. Hinde, master, St

John's College, Cambridge, 69; Mr Bob Hoskins, actor, 50; Air Marshal Sir Douglas Jackman, 90; Mr Peter Joslin, chief con-stable, Warwickshire, 59; Sir Dou-

ald MacDougall, economist, 80;

Viscount Malvern, 43; Lord Molloy, 74; Mr György Pauk, violinist, 56; Lord Scanlon, 79; Sir

James Scott, Lord Lieutenant of Hampshire, 68: Lord Wylic, 69.

Joanna Kennedy to be Trustees of

Appointments

Service dinners

President of the National Youth

Society for the Presention of Cru-

Mrs Richard Warburton was in

October 25: The Duchess of

Gloucester, Patron, Scottish Op-era, this evening attended the

Thirtieth Anniversary Concert at the Theatre Royal, Glasgow and was received on arrival by Her

Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for the City of Glasgow (Mr Robert Innes, the Right Hon the Lord Provost).

Miss Suzanne Marland was in

KENSINGTON PALACE

elty to Children.

Naval 8/208 Squadron Group Captain B.C. Laite presided at the annual dinner of the Naval engagements The Queen, accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, will attend an entertainment organised by the Royal Anniversary Trust to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the accession at Earls Court at 7.15. 8/208 Squadron Association held on Saturday at the RAF Club. Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Stear was the guest speaker and presented the Geoffrey Bromet Memorial trophy to Flight The Prince and Princess of Wales, the Duke of York, Prince Edward. Princess Margaret, the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester, the Duke and Duchess of Kent and Princess Lentenant Peer Jones. The Loyal Regiment Alexandra will also attend.

Officers of the former 4th Battal-ion The Loyal Regiment (North Lancashire) TA held their annual dinner on Saturday at Fulwood The Prince of Wales, as President of the Royal Shakespeare Company, will attend the Everyman's Library Shakespeare luncheon at Barracks, Preston. Major P.H. the Savoy Hotel at 1.00. Princess Margaret will visit the Northern Police convalescent RAMC Association (City of

London) Branch home in Harrogate at 11.55. The Duchess of Kent will attend Members of the Royal Army Medical Corps Association (City of London) branch attended a dinner The Women of The Year kuncheon held at Ponsonby Place, Millbank, SW1, on October 24. Colonel G.L.V. Tatler presided. The guest speaker was Major General D.S. Paton. Among others present

were. MIS D.S. Paton, Colonel T.A. Pace, Mr John Keen, BEM (secretary), Mr Barry John Keen, BEM (secretary), Mr Barry Theobald-Hicks and the Hon Julia

Waggon Club
Major-General W. Bate, President
of the Waggon Club, accompanied
by Mrs Bate, presided at the
annual ladies' dinner held on Saturday at the RCT Headquarters Mess, Aldershot.

The Director General of Transport and Movements and Mrs port and Movements and Mrs MacDonald, the deputy director general and Mrs Kinnear, Brigo-dier and Mrs A.C. Massey and Squadron Leader and Mrs J.O. Souter were the principal guests.

occasion of Sir Georg Solti's 80th

Soirée

The Prime Minister and Mrs Major were the hosts at a musical soirce held yesterday evening at 10 Downing Street for ORT on the Sir Michael Quisdan and Mrs

Appointments in the Forces

Royal Navy

REAR ADMIRAL: R Walmaley - To be Director General Submarines, Chief Naval Engineer Officer and Senior Naval Representative in Bath 16.2.93. Naval Engineer Officer and Senior Naval Representative in Buth 16.2.93.

CAPTAIN: F B Goodson - To be promoted Rear Admiral and in be ACDS (Logistics) Feb 1993; A B Gough - NATO Brussels 16.4.93; R C Moore - COMMANDER: R G Fensome - NATO July 26.5.93; T R Harris - MOD LONGON 4.5.93; M A James - MOD LONGON 5.5.93.

Music Theatre, this evening at-tended a gala performance of The Ragged Child at the Palace The-atre, London in aid of the National SURGEON COMMANDER: R W Smith - Haster 1.3.93. CHAPLAIN: J L Joughin - Collingwood. 19.11.92; M J McCall - PQSF Sea 19.11.92.

> COMMODORE: A C G Wolf 7.1.93. CAPTAIN: M Rickley 5.1.93: A D & Pender-Cudilp 7.1.93; D A McVenz Pender-Cudilly 7.1.93; D A Microsia 7.1.93. COMMANDER: E R Burger 25.12.92; D E F Baston 30.12.92; M R S Sleby 1.1.93; M F G Emary 21.11.92; I D Lamb 19.10.92.

The Army
COLONEL: P V PERSON - To be OCC
CMRO 30.10.22; D H Wright L/EAMC
TO (UE) DIV BQ and Sig Regt 2.11.92
LIBUTENANT COLOMEL: P J HOWSON
RA CH D-To be Sen Chap I Armid Div
EQ & Sig Regt 28.10.92; T V Merrim
ERF-To MOD 26.10.92; D 5 E Phipps
R Anglian - To BGTT (UE) 30.10.92; R
G Rowe R Insh - To UK CICC 26.10.92;
P C Villaiard RA - MOD 26.10.92; E
Mathews RADC to 12 Denn Gp 3.11.92.
Amendment: Entry Dublished Amendment: Entry published 21.10.92 should be amended as follows: PS W F Falkner LG - To be CO Household Cavalry Regt 19.10.92.

REGIGENCE: J TRYTOT ALC 1.11.92
COLONEL: D L De Beaujen Lage
14/20H 2.11.92; J N Eddison Lane
RAOC 1.11.92; A G R Holman Lane RE
1.11.92; M R Walker Lane AAC
29.10.92.

Royal Air Force Royal Air Force
GROUP CAPTAIN: P V Hamis - To RAF
Laufbruch 26.10.92; J B Symonds - To
MOD 26.10.91.
WING COMMANDER: 1 P Grigg - To
MOD ACDS OR (AIr) 12.10.92; W S
Smyth - To 1:1 Sqn Leuchars
12.10.92; J W White - To 226 OCU
Lossiemouth 12.10.92; M A Buder - To
DFTS Funninger 16.10.92; M C Le
- To S C Blackwell 19.10.92; C C Le
Corms - To HQAGPC 19.10.92; R W
Joseph - To RAF Kinloss 19.10.92.

Reed's School Cobham

A new classroom block for The Rijnlands Lycaum at Cobham was opened on Friday, October 23, at Reed's School, Cobham, by Bar-oness Blatch, CBE, FRSA, the Minister of State for Education, and drs J. Wallage, Stastssecretaris of The Dutch Ministry of Education. The Dutch Ambas-sador, Mr J.B. Hoekman, the Mayor of Elmbridge, Councillor Alan Curren, Mr Ian Taylor, MBE, MP for Esher, the Chair-man of Governors of Reed's School, the Chairman of Gov-ernors and the Principal of The Rijnlands Lyceum at Wassenaar were among other guests present at a luncheon at Reed's School following the opening ceremony.

Glovers' Company

The following have been installed ficers of the Glovers' Company for the ensuing year: Master, Mr C.J. Wood; Renter Warden, Mr J. Gratwick: First Under Warden, Mr JJ. Gardner; Second Under Warden, Mr A.S. Fishman; Third Under Warden, Mr M.K. Down.



headgear created by her clothing company from used materials. Miss Moase started Scrap Scrap with a £1,600 loan from the Prince's Youth Business Trust in 1990, Now the firm, in Telford, Shropshire,

employs 30 people and had a turnover of £60,000 last year. After some big chain store orders, she believes the figure will be ten times as much this year. Miss Moase is one of 21 Business Trust successes who will meet the Prince of Wales next month.

Church news

charge, Shillingstone, and Chaptair Croft House School (Salisbury).

The Rev Peter Twisleton, Rector, St. Breoka W. Egioshayie: to be Rector, Bude Haven and Marhamethurch

Bentham St. John (Blackburn): to be Vicar, St. Albans, Christ Church (St.

The Rev Charles Vaughan, Curate, Christ Church, Woking (Guildford): to be Recox, Wording (Winchester).

John Garth Watson

A Service of Thanksgiving for the life and work of Rear Admiral

John Garth Watson, CR. DSc. BSc/Engl. FICE, Secretary of the Institution of Civil Engineers,

from 1967 to 1979, will be held in St Margaret's Church, West-minster Abbey at 11.00am on Tuesday, November 3, 1992. Tick-

ets are not required. All colleagues

The Rev Brian Underwood, Re

Appointments

The Rev Andrew Rolf., Rector, Allendale w. Whitfield and Minebanks: to be Vicar, St. Nicholas, Gosforth (Newcastle). The Rev Toby Selisbury, Vicar, Great Bedwyn, Little Bedwyn and Savernake Porest: to be also a non-residentiary Canon of Salisbury Camon of Salisbury Canon of Salisbury. The Rev Fernal to be a non-stipendiary minister in the diocese of Durham, and an Associate Officer of the Durham Diocesan Social Responsibility Committee. The Rev Ian C. Smith, Chaplain, Wakefield Prison (Wakefield: to be Chaplain, Hawerigg Prison, Millom (Cardiste). The Rev Andhony Thompson, Parish Priest, Clurist Church, Lower Nutfield and Rural Dean of Religate: to be also Local Ministry Adviser for the Croydon Episcopal Area (Southward). The Rev Patiline Thompson to be part-time Assistant Chaplain & HM Prison, Suddoury Dorby).

The Rev Peteb Derek Tinsley: to continue as Rural Dean of Astonheid (Lichifeld) for a further pediod of five years.

The Rev Michael Turner, Deputy Head.

years.
The Rev Michael Turner, Deputy Head, and Chaptain, Greycoar Hospiral School (London): so be Priescin-

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Domenico Scarlatti, composer, Naples, 1685; Georges-Jacques Danton, French Revolu-tion leader, Arcis-sur-Anbe, 1759. DEATHS: Alfred the Great, King of the West Saxons 871-99, London, 899; William Hogarth, painter and engraver, London, 1764; Alma Cogan, singer, 1966; Igor Sikorsky, helicopter pioneer, Easton, Connecticut, 1972. The "October" revolution (new style date Novermber 7) began in

The Hon William **Douglas Home**

A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of the Hon William Douglas Home will be held at St Martin-inthe Fields on Thursday, November 5, at 11.30am. No nickets

Marriages

The Hon David Greet
and Dr J.L. Polghase
The marriage took place on
Saunday at the Church of St John
the Baptist, Brokenborough,
Witshire, of the Hon David Greet. son of the late Lord Guest and of Lady Guest, of Edinburgh, to Dr Jane Pololase, daughter of the late Mr E.B.J. Pololase and of Mis Beth Polglase, of Weston-under Penyard, Herefordshire. Deaconess Patti Schmiegelow and Canon J.C.P. Barton officiated. The bride was given in marriage by her agast, Miss Angela Polglase, and the Hon Andrew Guest was

A reception was held at Chavening, Gloucestershire, and the honermoon will be spent in

Colonel D.S.A. Boyd and Mrs A.P. Purdon The marriage took place in Chencester on Samulay, October 24, of Colonel Duncan Boyd and Mrs Ande Purdon.

Mrs. Ande Pundon.
Mrs. S. Buckley
and Mry I.M. Carinell.
A service of blessing was held on
Saintleya. October 17, as St
Andreys's Church, Toft,
Cambridge, following the
marriage of Michael Buckley to
Judith Garbnell (née Cobb).

Mr.M.J. Magnire and Miss K.J. Spenies The marriage took place on Saturday, October 24, 1992, at The Catholic Church of the Inimaculate Conception, Epping, of Mr Michael John Magnire to Mits Katherine Jane Sproles. Dr.A.J. Palfrey

and Mrs P.J. Has The marriage took place on Friday, October 16, at All Saints', Fulham, between Dr John Palfrey and Mrs Penny Hasiam, wi Mr John Hasiam.

Mr R.D. Wale and Mrs S.G. Chirgwin The marriage took place on Priday, October 9, 1992, at Gretna, Scotland, between Ray Wale, only son of Derek and Dawn Wale; of Hazelbrook, NSW. Australia, and Sue Chirgwin younger daughter of Ron and June Maries, of Wentworth Pails. NSW, Australia. The attendants were Michael and Shirley Chicley. of Ash, near Consentury, Kent.

Memorial service

Lady Handsorne Lady Hawdhorne
A memorial service for Lady
(Willaim) Hawdhorne was held on
Saturday in the Chapei of Chorchill College, Cambridge. The Rev
Bryan Spinks, chaplain, officiated,
read the lesson and read from the
works of Christina Rossetti, Lady
Butler of Saffron Walden, Professor Sir William Wade and Dr
Joanna Hawthorne Amick. Joanna Hawthorne Amick daughter, gave addresses.

Dinner

London Metal Exchange
Mr John Wolff, Chairman of the
London. Metal Exchange, presided at the London Metal Exchange annual dinner held on
Thursday, October 22, at the
Consumor Hotole Hotal London Grosvenor House Hotel, London The guest speaker was Sir Derek Birkin, Chairman of the RTZ

Forthcoming marriages

Mr P.J. Bayeard-Smith and Miss J.M. Weodley The engagement is announced between Peter, elder son of Mr and Mrs James Baynard-Smith, of Oxford, and Julia, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs John Woodley, of Cambridge.

Mr F.P. Bodenkens and Miss I.M. Geddis The engagement is announced between Francis, youngest son of Major and Mrs Charles of Major and Mrs Charles Bodenham of Wanborough Surrey, and Jean, daughter of Mr David Geddis and the late Mrs Emid Geddis, of Guildford, Surrey. MrS.I. Dibble and Miss K.L. Moss

The engagement is announced between Shaun Jason, elder son of between Smann Jasurice Dibble, of Ferndown, Dorset, and Karen Louise, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Moss, of Windsor, Berkshire. Mr J.C. Pryor and Miss J.L. Steele

The engagement is announced between Justin Charles, son of Mr and Mrs J.P. Prior, of Camberwell, and Joanna Louise, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs P.F. Steele, of Beckenham, Kent.

Mr M.A.I. Rodick and Miss B.A. Webb

The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Lieutenant october Mark, son of Laueriant Colonel and Mirs Roger Rodick, of Mansel Lacy, Herefordshire, and Beverley, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Stuart Webb, of Longford,

Nature notes

The first green shoots of winter com are coming up in the fields, and skylarks are feeding among them. They rise with a filting call, and climb in undulating steps as they fly off. Black-headed gulls and rooks are feeding together on ploughland. When they are disturbed, the white gulls rise higher in the air than the black rooks, and they land again in separate flocks; then they begin to mingle once more. Pied wagtails are run-ning about on farmhouse roots, and singing on the crest: they have a short, babbling song, in which many of the sounds are like shared, musical versions of their sharp call-DOSC.

Leaves are showering down from the trees in the wind, and scampering across open spaces, especially the large leaves of planes and Norway maples. Beech leaves are bronze and gold: they are mostly holding firm on the trees still in the hedges, dogwood leaves are like purple smoke among the browns and greens; sometimes a nearby ditch is full of small dogwood suplings as well. Wild angelica is still in flower in damp places, its tall red stems sway-ing in the wind; there are also a few flowers left on yarrow and red clover.

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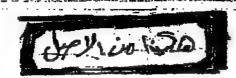
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AIR MARSHAL SIR GERALD GIBBS

Air Marshal Sir Gerald Ernest Gibbs, KBE, CIE, MC, believed to be the oldest surviving RAF air marshal, died on October 10 aged 96. He was born on

BY THE time he was 22 Gerald Gibbs had shot down 10 enemy aircraft, won the Military Cross with two bars, as well as the French croix de guerre, and been appointed to the légion d'honneur. While serving in the first world war in Macedonia, he forced one German reconnaissance plane to land behind allied lines and rounded up its two-man crew at gunpoint.

In his autobiography, Survivor's Story, published in 1956, Gibbs described how he came across the aircraft while patrolling over his own airfield at 14,000 feet. He launched a bow attack which crippled the other plane's engine, and then shepherded it down to a safe landing in a field.
"Afraid of a trick, I waved the two occupants out and away from the aircraft, then landed alongside and jumped out with my revolver in case they thought of destroying maps or taking off again.

"I suppose they already must have had a shock, being forced to land on our side, and my murderous appearance, running up with a revolver in my hand was the last straw. The observer threw up but the tough little pilot looked surty. They had no intention of taking off again, however, because the engine coolant had run out through the bullet holes. We had got a German aircraft down intact and had two live prisoners."

On another occasion he won a duel over Lake Doiran, the two fighters



circling each other at such close quarters that he could clearly see his idversary's face - framed by a black flying cap and goggles.

I managed to get inside him and underneath and brought my guns to bear in a long burst. I turned to the "Gobbo" Gibbs had been a private in

left and could see I had hit him hard. He went away down in a steep, fast side-slip and then into a very fast spin. One wing came off and he plunged into the lake." Only two or three years before

the Wiltshire Regiment after fibbing about his age in order to enlist. He served in India and then in northern France. He later recalled playing cards in the trenches where soldiers, whose life expectancy was measured in terms of four to six weeks, would stake all their pay on one hand.

Gibbs's ability was soon recognised with a commission. He was then

posted to Macedonia with the 7th battalion, from where he was headhunted for the Royal Flying Corps, then anxiously seeking more pilots. The eight-shillings-a-day extra pay proved irresistible. He learned to fly at a training school in Egypt where he went solo in his flimsy biplane after one hour, and after 10 hours in the air was an instructor.

Gibbs always looked back with affection and respect on his baptism of fire in the army. He said that the discipline he learned as a young infantryman and the standard of physical fitness that he reached provided the foundations of his

Few service careers could have been given such a vigorous kick-start. Lord Trenchard, the "father" of the RAF, chose him as his aide-de-camp in the late 1920s. Several years later he was on the planning staff at the Air Ministry, serving successively Group Captains Charles Portal and Arthur Harris, who were later to rise to the top in the second world war.

Gibbs himself was heavily involved in the Battle of Britain as deputy to Air Chief Marshal Sir Keith Park at Fighter Command's embattled No 11 group, defending the thin light blue line in south east England. He was actually in command of it for a time while Park was away in the

August of 1940. He was made director of overseas operations at the Air Ministry during 1942-3, an appropriate appointment for one who had spent much of his betweenthe-wars service in the Middle East and Africa.

Then, in 1943, he was himself moved to the Far East, first as senior air staff officer (SASO) of 3rd Tactical Air Force, then in the following year as chief staff officer under Mountbatten at the supreme allied headquarters in south east Asia.

Gibbs spent two years as SASO at Transport Command after the war, then left for New York as chief military adviser to the British delega-tion at the United Nations 1948-51. partly coinciding with the Korean War. His final appointment was as C-in-C of the Indian Air Force 1951-54, the last RAF officer to hold it before India's own emerging senior staff took over.
"Gobbo" Gibbs, who was educated

at Kingston Grammar School. Surrey, had great energy, sociability and charm. He wrote spirited letters to the press throughout his life, but always managed to keep the twinkle in his eye. At the Battle of Britain 50th anniversary service at Westminster Abbey two years ago he was given a privileged seat opposite the

He remained an immensely strong man and a fine sportsman. He played hockey while serving with the army in north west India, boxed as a light heavyweight in the RAF and spent his holidays ski-ing, sailing and playing golf.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret (Peggy), whom he married in 1938, and by one son and daughter.

AILNE PHILLIPS

Aline Phillips (Mrs David Latoff), ballet dancer and teacher, died in Hove on October 5 aged 87. She was born in Londonderry on June 5, 1905.

WIDELY known by the nickname Babs, Ailne Phillips was the daughter of M. B. Phillips. director of the Carl Rosa Opera Company, and her early career as a dancer was spent with that company and in musical comedies. There was little opportunity for Brit-ish dancers at that time, except in musicals or, for a select few. with the innerant Russian companies of Diaghilev and Paviova: no wonder ballet teachers in the 1920s dignified their trade with the title of operatic dancing."

Phillips's teacher as a child was Lydia Kyashi, a former Maryinsky soloist who had settled in London as Adeline Genée's successor in the ballet at the Empire Theatre. Small, highly musical, and intelligent, she made a good pupil, and was even allowed to dance The Dying Swan (which Kyasht always claimed had been made for her before ever Pavlova danced it), aged eight, to an audience including

Queen Mary.

Phillips was herself to become a notable teacher. For the time being, however, she did well for herself with the Carl Rosa. She needed no favouritism to become the principal dancer and ballet mistress. Her solo in Act 2 of Carmen attracted favourable comment, as did also the little ballet she arranged to Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker Suite as a curtain raiser to

Hansel and Gretel. This was about the same

time as another Irish woman. under her stage name of Ninette de Valois, was similarly engaged in providing short ballets to be given during or before the operas and plays at the Old Vic. When de Valois set up her Vic-Wells Ballet as a permanent company in 1931, Phillips became a founder-member. She fitted well into the extremely quick, intricate solo created for de Valois in Ashton's Les Rendezvous, and was one of the very few dancers who could bring out the full qualities of the waltz solo in Fokine's Les Sylphides.

She had a good presence, her face had an attractive liveliness. But others progressed further and in 1937 she left the Vic-Wells to return to the Carl Rosa, later dancing for a time with Mona Inglesby's International Ballet before responding to a wartime request from de Valois to join the Sadler's Wells School as a teacher. In this capacity she found a second and highly rewarding career. Patient and exact, she benefited genera-

tions of pupils. From 1946 until 1955 she became Ballet Principal at the school, and for an overlapping period she acted as a personal assistant to de Valois, giving company classes, coaching so-loists and passing on her own knowledge of stagecraft.

In 1960 de Valois, who had started a ballet school in Ankara at the request of the Turkish authorities, sent Phillips to teach there for a while and to mount Coppelia for the young Turkish dancers. She became a close friend as well as a professional associate of de Valois. They shared the values and manners of a politer generation.

ROMUALD BUKOWSKI

Romuald Bukowski, the only deputy in the Polish parliament who voted against introduction of martial law in 1981, has died in Gdansk aged 64.

ROMUALD Bukowski was among the few independent deputies allowed to be elected into the rubber-stamp parliament of Poland in the Cummunist era. He then became its only member to withhold approval for the decision by General Jaruzelski to impose martial law on December 13, 1981, to suppress the Solidarity trade union movement. Nevertheless he was allowed to remain

A well-known draftsman and designer, Bukowski also organized help for artists left jobless in the wake of the imposition of martial law.

DOROTHY GABE COLEMAN

Dorothy Gabe Coleman, reader in French Literature in the University of Cambridge and senior fellow of New Hall, died on September 16 aged 57. She was born on March 26, 1935.

DOROTHY Gabe Goleman was among the most original and provocative interpreters of the French Renaissance in this country, and a stimulating, zestful teacher. Her research and teaching were indissoluble: both sprang from a passionate conviction that literature was about enjoyment and that it was possible, indeed a duty, to awaken in pupils and readers the close attentiveness and capacity for personal response which are the hallmarks of her own criticism. In Mon-taigne's Essays (1987) she briskly remarks: "Of course there is no one true reading of the Essais. Active reading of literature means that fifty per cent of the text is the author's and fifty per cent what the reader/critic/scholar is making of it."

Such forthright contentions could disconcert scholars who had spent a poetry of Maurice Sceve might repay

lifetime unearthing what they took to comparison with the English research topic.

be the one true meaning of a text. But she was no iconoclastic enemy of scholarship: from her first work on emblem-books to her last on Montaigne's additions and erasures, her enquiries depended on erudition; she simply asserted that learning is but the means to an end. Deeply influenced by Eliot and Northrop Frye, she took that end to be reading as the exploration of human experience in its richest and

most complex expressions.

Her childhood in Wales perhaps disposed her to be a linguist: she was brought up bilingually in Welsh and English, attended Ystalyfera Grammar School and won a scholarship to Cambridge. Going up to Girton in 1953, she encountered the magnetic personality of Odette de Mourgues whose devoted pupil and friend she remained, co-editing her retirement Festschrift in 1982 and generously founding a graduate studentship in her memory in 1989. After a "starred" First in the Tripos, it was Odette de

metaphysicals which provided her first

In the event it was a Glasgow PhD she earned; for a year after graduating she was appointed assistant lecturer in that department and joined the impressive ranks of seiziémistes trained by Alan Boase. He, too, became a revered mentor, whose photostats of Montaigne's amended copy of the Essays formed the basis of many of her later articles; she bequeathed them to

Cambridge University Library. In 1958 she married the classical scholar Robert Coleman, then lecturing at Aberdeen, and in 1960 they returned jointly to Cambridge where she had been appointed director of studies in modern languages at New Hall, a new women's college founded along lines she strongly supported. Undergraduates reading French throughout the university at that time still recall the appearance of a glamorous and articulate new lecturer.

Horrityingly, she suffered, in 1965.

tendency to aphasia distressingly aggravated by tiredness, emotion or alcohol. Her reaction was stoical: she threw herself into writing, publishing a now celebrated book on Rabelais in 1971. This was followed by books on Scève (1975 and 1981), Du Bellay (1980) and Montaigne and The Gallo-Roman Muse (1979), a strenuous assertion of the place of Roman culture in sixteenth century French writing. She took unfeigned pleasure in the LittD which this remarkable corpus earned her, and in the personal readership which enabled her to reduce her college commitments and accept invitations to lecture abroad.

She confronted personal sadness, including the break-up of her mar-riage, with continued stoicism; and when inoperable cancer was diagnosed she merely observed that the years since her stroke had been an nexpected windfall. She was proud and delighted to know that her son would see through the press the collection of her articles on Montaigne Mourgues's insight that the difficult a post-puerperal stroke which left her which a French publisher requested permanently disabled and with a from her just weeks before her death.

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SUDARIUM

(b) A napkin or cloth for wiping the face, a handkerchief, specifically the cloth with which, according to legend, St Veronica wiped the face of Christ on the way to Calvary, and on which his features were said to impressed on decease of forged but increative medieval holy relics.

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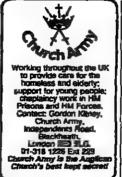
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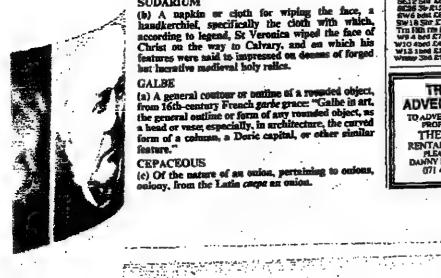
Feeling had been running high among the crofters of the Western Isles at the rents imposed on their small plots of land. Six crofters were arrested after the following disturbances.

threatening attitude of the crowd. thought it prudent to return to where the sheriff and the detachment of Marines were standing, leaving the policemen at a short distance from the house. The Marines were then ordered to Mackenzie's house, but could not gain an admittance on account of a crowd of women, who blocked the entrance and stood provided with buckets of water.

Before the officer and his party arrived at the first house it was surrounded by the crowd which by this

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time had been considerably augmented and become more hostile in its aspect. The officer went forward and made an attempt to effect service, but could not get within two yards of the door which was blocked by a number of women. with about twenty men on either side to prevent the women from being displaced. Sheriff Hamilton then cautioned the crowd very earnestly, and said that if anybody interfered with the officer or molested him he would be immediately apprehended. In spite of this warning a general mélée followed in which the women took fully as prominent a part as the men. One woman threw a piece of turf at the sheriff which struck him in the face. Mud was thrown freely, Superintendent Altchison and his men being quite besmeared. The sheriff now held a consultation with Lieutenant Brittan who at once ordered the Marines to fix bayonets. They were marched straight up to the door of the house, the women became nervous and quitted their post. and a keyhole service was effected.



THE TIMES TODAY

Major defies Maastricht rebels

■ John Major flew back from Egypt last night still determined to stake the government's future on the Maastricht Bill, despite warnings from ministers and senior backbench MPs that he was playing with fire

Today the government's business managers meet to decide whether the prime minister's tactics have paid off or if the time has come to soften the line. An "idiot's guide" to Maastricht will be published this week Pages 1, 2, 17

Almost 200,000 in mines protest

London's largest demonstration for years brought nearly 200,000 people to Hyde Park to protest at the pit closures. The march from the Embankment was headed by TUC leaders, miners and Labour party figures. John Smith challenged Mr Major to go down a pit......Pages 1, 3

Briton killed

British businessman Peter Kessler was killed in Colombia on Saturday during a shootout between his kidnappers and

US farm reprisal

The United States is preparing to slap punitive import tariffs of \$300 million (£185 million) on French products as the first stage of retaliation against EC farm .. Pages 1, 12

Solicitors' levy

Solicitors in England and Wales face a second emergency levy of at least £1,000 per partner to meet another huge rise in sums paid out to victims of their dishonest colleagues Page 8

Euro fraud

EC auditors have uncovered huge fraud and waste in the community, including theft of food aid to eastern Europe, furniture vanishing from the European Parliament and money wasted on an advertising campaign for olivesPage 9

Oil controversy

Britain's move away from coal runs up against environmental concern next month when drilling for oil and gas begins off one of the country's most beautiful

Park closure

Windsor Safari Park closed its doors ten months after going

Television ban

Michael Heseltine, the president of the board of trade, halted the transmission last night of a Channel 4 documentary which was to disclose unpublished extracts from an investigation by the department of trade and industry into the Guinness ... Page 3

More and older

The UK has a higher proportion of people over 65 than any other country in the European Community and Britons live nearly three decades longer than at the turn of the century Page 7

'Delay rail sale'

John MacGregor, the Transport Secretary, is under pressure to postpone the rail privatisation plans because of scepticism over Page 3 the proposals

Shelling out

Farmers in Britain and the rest of Europe are being pressed to accept £30 million a year in EC subsidies most do not want because satellite photography cannot tell the difference between two kinds of peas. Page 9

Trident protest

Britain's first Trident submarine arrived at the Faslane base to be met by a flotilla of boats full of protesters. ... Page 4

TV dog dies

Goldie, the golden retriever in BBC television's Bine Peter, has

And finally, a date for your diary

The end of the world will occur on August 14, 2116 and will come in the guise of a lump of celestial ice and dust called Swift-Tuttle. David Steel, of the Anglo-Australian Observatory, is the man who named the day, but — as with calling in the gas board — it is not known whether the comet will arrive in the morning or the afternoon ...



Zinziswa Mandela, daughter of the ANC leader, complied with tradition by being an hour late for her wedding. Page 10

Football: Liverpool beat Norwich 4-1 and Tottenham lost 1-0 at Wimbledon in the Premier League. In the Bardays League, Millwall beat Wolves. In Italy, there were fisticuffs in Lazio's match after Paul Gascoigne had been fouled Pages 21, 22

Motor racing: Riccardo Patrese won the Japanese Formula One grand prix for Williams-Renault. Nigel Mansell retired when his engine caught fire. Martin Brundle was third. .. Page 22

Baseball: The world series at last reached beyond America's borders for a winner when the Toronto Blue Jays became the first non-US team to take the title Page 21

BS losses: A number of building societies are set to report losses in the coming months. It will be the first time that the Building Societies Commission has allowed such revelations without forcing a . Page 40

Industry bids: Britain's industrial leaders, at a series of meetings with Norman Lamont, have called for Mr Lamont to announce a series of boosts to the economy in his key Mansion House speech on Thursday. But will he? Page 37

Ten billion dollar men: Anatole Katelsky on George Soros, the tor, who bet \$10 billion that John Major would fail to keep sterling above its ERM floor...... Page 38

Fed up: American women are top to here with sexual stereotyping and they are letting the politicians know it. But if they are standing by any man, it is Bill Clinton. Kate Muir

reports... Page 14 Put down: Women are stupid, idle, jealous, vain, inconstant and immoral. And on bad days they are plain evil. Tama Starr this week publishes an anthology of anti-female put downs Page 14

Bright grey: Good news for John Major's image makers, at long last. The colour grey is emerging as the predominent neutral shade for ... Page 15

Chris Patten, Hong

Kong governor, who

faces a row over let-

and China alleged to

agree secret restric-

tions on democracy.

Page 10

Coming thing: Is this the theatre of the future? Kenneth Rea on The Wooster Group, an avant-garde New York performance art troupe who come to Glasgow Tramway on Wednesday with a "post-modern, deconstructed version of Chekhov's The Three Sisters, called Brace Up! ..

Television: Screen One' Trust Me is an amusing but implansible play by Tony Sarchet, starring Alfred

Opera: Placido Domingo and Kiri Te Kanawa, conducted by Sir Georg Solti in Verdi's Otello at Covent Garden and Il piccolo Marat, a forgotten work by Mascagni, revived for Wexford Page 30

e: This week brings big changes in the world of management education, with the adoption of a new culture, which could have a profound long-term impact. The changes come as many business schools struggle to fulfil their intake quotas. John O'Leary reports...... Page 33

Cinesics matter: Latin and Greek are written off as elitist by some, but Elizabeth Parham argues that they are not only important but enjoyable to learnn

So does Walsk? The latest census shows more than a quarter of Weish children aged between three and 15 now speak Welsh, 6 per



Graeme Souness, whose Liverpool side, edged further away

Sitcom of the times

Recession comedy: it had to happen. From Marks and Gran, who wrote Birds of a Feather, comes Get Back (BBC 1) a tale of Eighties riches to Nineties rags

Listings, Page 39

The wrong hand

This is no time for John Major to be making bravura gestures. He could strengthen his position by taking a clear lead on the economy and quietly marshalling his parliamentary forces... As any poker player knows, the only safe time to call your opponent's bluff is when you have a hand or a steeve full of aces...

Canada's dilemma

Some of the talk being bandled around Quebec these days would not sound out of place in Belfast or Bosnia, as Canada once again scrabbles for a constitutional formula that will keep the country's fractious French-speaking minority within the national fold ... Page 17

BERNARD LEVIN

On Petra Kelley: I have to say, however tragic her end, that there is something appallingly comic in her life. Every one of the stagingposts of her via dolorosa marked yet another lost cause, to say nothing of those causes which had been lost before she could get close enough to lose them Page 16

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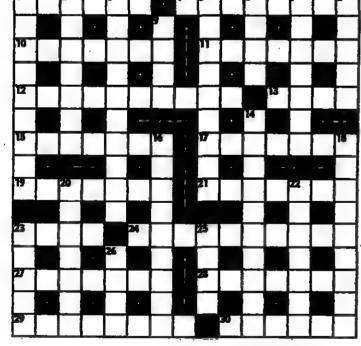
On not speaking foreign: Can you remember a few basic words in a foreign language? The government is spending nearly three quarters of a billion pounds a year getting students up to your level... Page 16 PETER RIDDELL

On the real struggle: The underlying battle is about the shape of post-Thatcherise politics and policies. We are still struggling to escape from the preoccupations and mistakes of the 1980s...... Page 16

Renders respond to The Times economic recovery plan Page 17

This has turned out to be the most popular and least popular Presidential campaign in years. Most popular in the sense that a great nany citizens are paying close at tention. Least popular because the waters don't much care for the candidates - New York Times

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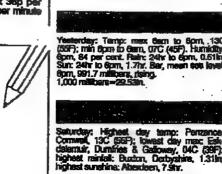
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Laura McRoberts, who last week became the first woman from munity to be elected chair of the Working Mothers' Association

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Outbreaks of rain will reach eastern Scotland, northwest England and Wales by afternoon, and most other parts of England by evening. Southwesterly winds will become strong at times in

exposed western parts. Outlook: breezy, with rain.



Work by Marc Chagall is celebrated in two shows at the new jam packed) Guggenheim in New York. John Russell Taylor, page 31

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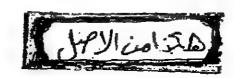
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RUGBY WORLD

MONDAY OCTOBER 26 1992

Youngsters inspire Souness's side to their best Premier League victory of the season

Norwich bow to revitalised Liverpool

Norwich City

By Stuart Jones POOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

NORWICH City's reputation in the Premier League contin-ues to crumble whenever they travel to the North West. At Maine Road in August, they lost their unbeaten record against Manchester City and, a fortnight ago, they yielded the leadership in the most humiliating circumstances, losing 7-1 to Blackburn Rovers at Ewood Park.

Yesterday, they visited Anfield and, in spite of taking the lead within a minute, missed a penalty and became the victims of Liverpool's biggest league win of the season.
Instead of reclaiming their
place at the top, Norwich
stayed level with Blackburn but with a vastly inferior goal

Liverpool may never have been more vulnerable. Habitually depleted - on this occasion their casualties included Jones and Rush, as well as Molby and Whelan - they did not complete their return journey from Moscow until the early hours of Friday morning, Norwich, with commendable generosity, having agreed to postpone this fixture for 24 hours.

Within 65 seconds, though, Norwich demonstrated a merciless streak, though the origin of their goal extended Liverpool's sequence of bizzerre mishaps. Grobbelaar, the principal figure in their comedy of errors in Russia, was again



involved in a comic mismoder standing, but the main culprit was Piechnik. In merely shepherding a through ball to-wards his goalkeeper, he allowed Robins to intercept and gain a corner.

Taken by Phillips, it was flicked on by Sutton to Butterworth, whose shot bounced in off a combination of the underside of the bar, Marsh's head and Grobbelaar's body.

Piechnik was also responsible for conceding the penalty.

After hoising the ball carelessinto his own area, he chased the misdirected clearance and bundled Sutton in the back.
Bowen was sufficiently disturbed by the Kop's whisting
disapproval to lift his kick deep
into its midst. "That was the turning point. Mike Walker, the Norwich manager, said. "The penalty would have given us the lift we needed."

By then, midway through

Ferguson on look-out

ALEX Ferguson, the Man- Dahlum plays for the Norchester United manager, ac-knowledged after his side's 0-0 draw at Blackburn Rovers on Saurday that his team lacked play before Christmas, Ferguarinantral" goalscorer. He is now believed to be weighing up a bid for Tore Andre to turn their rum of drawn Dahlum, the Norway inter-

way champions, Rosenberg, and is valued at £600,000. With Dion Dublin unlikely to matches into a winning

by their youngsters.

The first to contribute effect-

ively was Redknapp. He disssed Crook near Norwich's area and rolled the ball across the path of Thomas. Gunn, though falling to his right, flapped at his distant drive with his right hand. headed in a cross from Thomas to claim his sixth goal in eight games.
For several weeks Liverpool

have not been scoring the goals their play deserves. To the relief of Graeme Souness, their relentless and purposeful attacks were finished this time stylishly after the interval as well. Burrows celebrated his birthday with a rasping free kick and Walters, with a few seconds left, converted a penalty he had himself earned.

Neverthless, Souness wa less than wholly content with Liverpool's most convincing display of the season.
"Hutchison should have had a hat-trick and he will be the

first to say so," he said.
"They could have had a couple more," Walker admitted. "They gave us a lesson in passing, and we are supposed to be good at that. Although there are signs that Liverpool are coming back, you still feel that they are likely to give you a goal or two."

Norwich, sensing that they might reduce the deficit, sent on Fox and Sutch. The ploy instant and unsophisticated aroused loud applause, repaired his damaged reputation by turning away a goalbound



Shoot on sight: Marsh, of Liverpool, lets fly at Antield yesterday as Sutton, of Norwich City, closes in

S Africa tours in danger

SOUTH Africa's most power ful sports body yesterday withdrew its support for international rugby union tours and the 1995 Rugby World Cup, to be staged in South Africa.

"We're going to stop all rugby tours," Mhuleid George, the president of the National Sports Congress (NSC), said at the body's annual congress in Johannesburg. "We don't feel obliged to protect them [rug-

George described references to the South African side as "the Springboks" as examples of rugby authorities' use of the old symbols of apartheid, and accused the South African Rugby Football Union (Sarfu) of having no interest in the development of rugby in black townships. Danie Craven, the co-president of Sarfu, said: Why must we do something about development when they do nothing themselves? We are already doing more than enough. I take no notice of

what they [NSC] say."
Referring to the South African team's defeat by France on Saturday, Craven said: "He [George] just wants to go for us because the Springboks did badly in Paris."

The NSC, which is allied to Nelson Mandela's African National Congress, said that rive in South Africa today for a two-month tour were wel-

Andrew given warm send-off

Toulouse: Rob Andrew, the England stand-off half, was given a standing ovation yesterday after his last-gasp kick secured victory for Stade Toulousain in his last game

for the French side. Andrew was carried off the field on the shoulders of the French international, Christophe Deylaud, having converted a penalty try, awarded in the last minute, to give a 29-27 win over Colomiers. (AFP)

Baseball first turns Canada upside down

Ben Macintyre on a night

when a nation forgot its

differences in the rush to celebrate sporting success

Montreal: A country not noted for excessive displays of emotion, Canada went briefly, but impressively, berserk on Saturday night, after the Toronto Blue Jays beat the Atalanta Braves in the World Series — the first time a team from outside the United States

has won baseball's ultimate prize. Briefly forgetting their differences on the eve of a referencium that has bitterly divided the country, Frenchspeaking Quebecois danced with English-speaking Canadians on the streets of Montreal into the early hours. In Toronto itself, 45,000 ecstatic fans who had watched the game on a giant video screen invaded the field at the city's SkyDome, while an estimated half a million residents jammed the streets and sales of Canadian beer rocketed.

On Yonge street, Toronto's main thoroughfare, thousands of cheerful, beerful baseball fans drank deep into the night, swaying atop open cars, singing parriotic songs and, in some cases, weeping profusely. At one point a group of celebrating women descended on an unwary policeman and smothered him in kisses. He hardly seemed to notice.

The Jays' locker room at Atlanta Stadium was awash with champagne and the deafening sound of mutual back-slapping as the team celebrated victory over the Braves in the eleventh

inning of the sixth game. Several thousand miles north, Toronto fans had been admitted free to the SkyDome stadium, where they watched the game on a 30-metrelong video screen as a small army of people dressed as Blue Jays and assorted other cuddly creatures frol-

icked around the playing area.

The nationwide party continued long into Sunday morning. At 9am on Rue Levesque in downtown Montreal, a young man wearing three Blue lays baseball cans sat on a traffic island and politicly informed every



On top of the world: Joe Carter is mobbed by ecstatic team-mates after clinching the World Series

passing car: "Les Americains sont etouffes," (the Americans have been stuffed) until he fell off and was led away by friends.

For one freneric evening, national differences were forgotten. Few were ungracious enough to point out that not a single Toronto player is from Canada. Of the 25 Blue Jays, 19 are from the United States and the rest are from the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico and Jamaica. "It's a great day for Canada," a breathless ian pamed at selevision cameras in the SkyDome.

in Montreal, where competition between the Montreal Expos and the Blue Jays reflects the biner cultural divide between English and Frenchspeaking Canadians, the Frenchlanguage newspaper La Presse, almost brought itself to be generous. "Bravo Toronto" the paper declared yesterday, although not on its front

page. Inside, it criticised the "purists" who pointed out that the team was Canadian only in name; then went on to list the Toronto players' origins. But for the most part, the Quebecois were Canadians first and

French second on Saturday night, which is more than can be hoped for today, when they are expected to vote solidly against a package of constitu-tional reforms aimed at binding them into closer union with the rest of the

Canadian national television news broadcasts yesterday all-but abandoned their worthy attempts to educate the population over the constitutional choice it must make today, broadcasting instead live satel-lite pictures of Canadians celebrating

from Vancouver to Newfoundland. Municipal authorities asked fans not to come to the airport to greet the homecoming team, but in the morn-

ing light hundreds of supporters, many with complexions matching the cold, grey light of dawn, were trudging towards Toronto airport. A victory parade over-optimistically scheduled for last Friday will be held in the city tonight.

Long before the Blue Jays slugged their way to victory, the World Series had become a nationalist confrontation between Canada and her more powerful, sometimes patronising, neighbour to the south.

When US Marines raised the Canadian flag with the maple leaf upside-down during an opening caremony in Atlanta, many Canadians took offense. Yesterday a good proportion of the Canadian flags waving in the SkyDome and on the streets of Toronto were proudly held the wrong Way up.

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South Africa ready to welcome India with warm embrace

FROM RICHARD STREETON IN JOHANNESBURG

India was the first country to

A MOMENTOUS visit for international diplomacy and cricket alike starts today, when India arrive here for the first Test match tour South Africa has hosted since 1969-70. For political and marketing purposes, it has been dubbed The Friendship Tour and has the backing of the African

National Congress (ANC). Nelson Mandela, the ANC president, is giving the Indians a reception tomorrow and will attend the second Test here in late November. President de Klerk will watch a daynight international at

withdraw its ambassador from South Africa in 1948, when and it was the country which last year proposed South Africa's return to the International Cricket Council. Both governhistoric tour.

Doubts after the recent Boipatong and Bisho massacres eventually proved only a passing threat to the plan. India has not yet restored a full, diplomatic presence in Pretoria, and during the early part of the tour, the cricketers are being accompanied by a

will be tried during India's

early games on the tour before

a decision is made on the

umpiring format for the first

Test match at Durban on

The South Africans have

made no attempt to tackle ball

tampering in the tour's play-

ing conditions. This will be left

to the umpires, who will include David Shepherd

(England) and Steve Bucknor

(West Indies), as indepen-dents, and Clive Lloyd (West

Indies) and Mike Smith (Eng-

land), the ICC match referees.

The South Africans have also

decided that national anthems

will not be sung before Tests.

November 13.

Third umpire will watch TV replay on Indian tour

THREE umpires and television replays will be called on to help with hairline decisions for the first time in Test matches and internationals during the Indian tour of South Africa (Richard Streeton writes).

An umpire wanting a TV replay to help him rule on runout, stumping or hit wicket dismissals will outline the shape of a square with his hands. The third, off-the-field umpire, will then study TV

If he decides the batsman is out, he will switch on a green bulb. A red light will signify the batsman was not out. A third bulb will ignite yellow: this will mean a decision was impossible to gauge and the batsman will receive the benefit of the doubt.

Motion of no confidence is put to MCC

THE MCC is being asked to call a special general meeting to discuss a motion of no confidence in the England selectors following the omission of David Gower and Jack Russell from the winter tour to India and Sri Lanka.

Dennis Oliver, a member of MCC, has collected the 180 signatures necessary for the meeting to be called, and he hopes to meet Lt-Col John Stephenson, secretary of MCC, today.

☐ Western Australia began their defence of the Sheffield Shield with a convincing 50run win over Queensland on Saturday on the final day of their four-day match. Terry Alderman captured four for 55 as Queensland succumbed for 283 in their second innings after beginning the day on 69 for one.

The opener, Matthew Hay-den, scored 63 and Allan Border struck 53 before falling to the youngster, Jo Angel. The Test wicketkeeper and Oueensland captain, Ian Healy, followed his first innings of 49 with 39 before he fell leg-before to the playercoach. Alderman. After that. there was little resistance.

apartheid was introduced; ments felt it appropriate that India should now make this

world war. The Durban area has the largest Indian population in South Africa and this is why the first Test match on Nov-ember 13 is being held at The Indians want the three umpires to be rotated on a Kingsmead. The players are also visiting three black towndaily basis, rather than session by session as suggested by South Africa. Both methods

ships during their tour. The South Africans know they cannot match the millionplus crowd which thronged Calcutta streets à year ago when they arrived to play three one-day games in India. They have arranged for young cricketers of all races to form a guard of honour at Jan Smuts airport today: an archway of bats under which the Indians

sternal affairs ministry. Normally based in Botswa-na, this political and racial

"minder" will help with any

problems. The players also had a lengthy ministerial briefing in Delhi before leav-

ing. Such is the atmosphere

here and the cuphoria on all

sides, however, that a tour free

from incident and rancour is

Before the Indians get down

to serious practice on Wednes-

day, they are to make a pilgrimage 20 miles outside

Johannesburg to the site where Mahatama Gandhi

organised a rural commune

during his civil disobedience

campaign against anti-Indian

legislation before the first

The Johannesburg transport department plans a cavalcade of cars and motorcycles to escort the team bus to the hotel. In the evening, the Indians will attend a United Cricket Board of South Africa

India put brakes on Zimbabwe batsmen

Harare: India warmed up for their historic visit to South Africa with a 30-run win over Zimbabwe in a one-day international here yesterday. After being bowled out for 239, India dismissed Zimbabwe for 209 with the first ball of the fiftieth over.

Andy Flower, the Zimbabwe opener, made 62, but the man of the match was Gary Crocker, who took four for 26 and scored 50 runs.

India, who had struggled to hold Zimbabwe to a draw in the home side's maiden Test match last week, leave for South Africa today to play four Tests and seven one-day internationals. It is the first official tour to the republic since it was readmitted to the International Cricket Council last year.

India overcame a reckless batting display after David Houghton, the Zimbabwe captain, made them bat in perfect conditions. Only Sanjay Manjrekar, who made a century in the Test, held firm, with a polished 70 from 75 balls.

Zimbabwe faltered with the bat after a cautious start by the Flower brothers, who put on 63 for the first wicket in 18

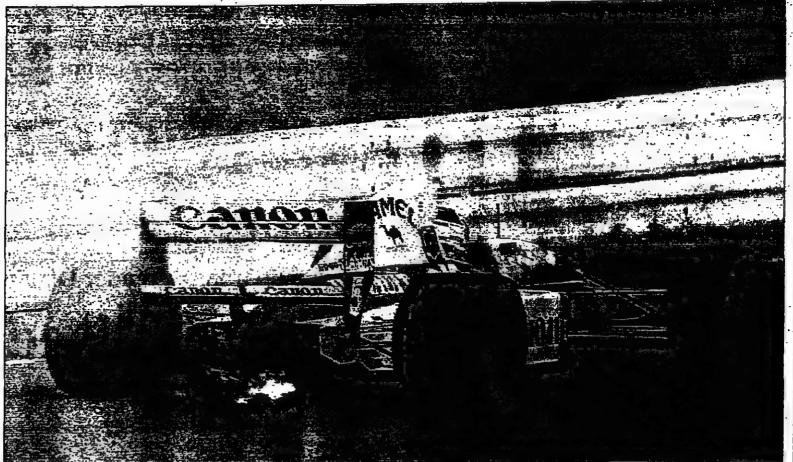
Craig Evans was held by Mohammad Azharuddin, the India captain, at square leg off the howling of Anil Kumble to make Zimbabwe 123 for five. Andy Flower and Crocker added 58 for the sixth wicket. but an asking rate of over eight an over in the last ten overs proved too much.

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Total (49.4 overs) 239
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-1, 3-75, 4-78, 5-151, 6-168, 7-211, 8-223, 9-238
BOWLING: Brain 10-5-2-1; Burmester 6-0-38-1, A8 Shah 10-1-23-0; Crooker 7-4-0-25-4; Traicos 10-0-48-1; G Flower 6-0-43-1.

as (b 1, b 6, w 4, nb 3)

Total (98.1 overs) 203
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-63, 2-88, 3-98, 4-120.
5-123, 6-161, 7-198, 8-196, 9-209.
BCWLING: Kapil Dev 8 1-1-27-1, Prebheler 10-0-43-2; Terchalter 3-0-16-0, Streeth 10-135-2; Terchalter 7-25-1, Jacking 5-0-24-1; Kurrible 8-1-35-1, Terchalter 10-1-43-2; Terchalter 10-1-4 wile won by 30 runs



End of the road: Nigel Mansell, of Britain, is forced to withdraw after 44 laps of the Japanese grand prix due to an engine fire

Japanese win gives Patrese day to remember

engine blew." When Patrese rolled into the end-of-race

enclosure. Mansell unbuck-

THE Japanese grand prix yesterday was an end-ofseason triumph for the No. 2 drivers. Riccardo Patrese, the Italian, in a Williams-Renault, won by 14 seconds from Gerhard Berger, of McLaren-Honda, with Martin Brundle, in a Benetton-

Nigel Mansell, the British driver sure of the world championship, led for 35 laps before letting Patrese, his team-mate, through.

"Nigel had said he would help me to take the second. place in the championship," Patrese said, "but I didn't expect him to let me win. I was surprised because after I passed him he started pushing like hell again. I couldn't tell if he was fighting me or what. It was a big relief to see him fade from my mirrors: it's not pleasant to have Nigel

behind Mansell you like that."
said: "As I was driving, I thought about the championship and even had a discussion with my race engineer about the standings. So coming out of the chicane I slowed for him to pass. Then I had a bit of fun following him, but it all ended when my

mark, dominated an eventful

winner of the 1992 Duckhams Formula Ford festival at Brands Hatch, Kent, yesterday (Stephen Slater writes).

Magnussen, who started in sixth place on the grid, stormed through the field to take the lead from Oliver Gavin, of Britain, on the sixth

led him, helped him out of the car and embraced him. In letting both go (Mansell is moving to the Indy Car circuit in the United States; Patrese is joining Benetton).

Magnussen holds firm

19, then showed remarkable resilience, holding off constant challenges from Gavin and Neil Cunningham and Russell Ingall, of Australia, to take the chequered flag.

RESULTS: 1, J Magnussen (Det), criving van Diemen RF82, 20 laps, 18min 31,279cc, 90,10mpt; 2, R Ingel (Aus), van Diemen RF82, 16:25, 19; 3, A Stapley (SB), Play 52, 16:26, 19; 4, K Bowen (SB), Switt 16:28, 49; 5, A Janosty (F9), van Diemen SF82 (16:20, 21; 6, Janosty (F9), Landed (TSB)

had made a great effort to modify their V12 engine for the home crowd. He had been bed-ridden for 24 hours with a stomach illness before getting up at 4am, unable to sleep or rest. Once more, the British driver showed great reserves of char-

terms of team spirit.

Berger expressed his un-

happiness at the performance

of the Honda engine. His

comments, coupled with

Ayrton Senna's retirement on

the third lap, represented a

acter and raced splendidly.

He has scored points ten

times in the last I I races. He started a long way back and steadily worked his way up. His much fancied teammate, Michael Schumacher, retired on the twelfth lap.

Win ends Feherty's bad luck

By Our Sports Staff

DAVID Feherty made sure he will remember 1992 for more than just a snake bite and a car crash by winning the Iberia Madrid Open in splendid style at Puerta de Hierro vesterday.

The 34 year-old Ulsterman more than doubled his European tour earnings for the season with a closing round 67 which gave him a fourstroke victory over Mark McNulty.

Feherty, who began the final round two behind the Zimbabwean, collected the

£66,660 cheque with a 16under-par total of 272. He said: "After such an awful season this is a fantastic feeling. I'm stunned. I can't believe I've won again, let alone by four " The Ryder Cup player's last

European success was over 17 months ago and the only headlines he made this season came when he was bitten by an adder while practising for the PGA championship at Wentworth in May and then smashed his Porsche into a

wall when avoiding a dog in

HYDER CUP: Points table: 1, 8 Lene (Eng), 215,013,85; 2, 8 Langer (Ger), 138,803.34; 3, J Spenos (Eng), 126,080.15; 4, N Feldo (Eng), 125,775; 5, M-A Jaménez (Sp), 125,450.09; 6, M Roe (Eng), 118,646.21; 7, 5 Returneton Eng), 67,755; 6, Rt Karlson (Sws), 61,085; 9, C Montgomerie (Scot), 75,962.61; 10, i Woosnam (Walse), 75,560.21.



Ireland a month later. The victory lifts him from 83rd in the Order of Merit to 46th — and into this week's £1 million Volvo Valderrama.

"As much as I loathe the course I love the tournament. so I'll be there," he said. "It means cancelling a lot of plans I'd made for next week. It involved a lot of going to pubs and staying out late. ☐ Yorkshire's Alison Nicholas headed six Women's Profes-

sional Golf European Tour regulars who finished in the top 18 of the United States LPGA final qualifying school tournament at Indigo Lakes Hilton, Daytona Beach in Florida on Saturday.
-Suzanne Strudwick was among the others who gained

full players' cards for the lucrative American circuit neu

Among those who finished etween 19th and 38th place and gained conditional players' cards — entry to some but not all LPGA events in 1993 were Helen Dobson, of England, and Kathryn Marshall, of Scotland."

RUGBY UNION

Ireland pick Murphy in front of Smith

By DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

stones hooker and captain, will play his first international for Ireland against the world champions. Australia, at Landsdowne Road on Saturday. He was the only new cap named yesterday and his selection: ahead of Steve Smith, the 1989 British Lion, may spell the end of the international road for Smith, 33, after 24

Murphy, 29, acknowledged that playing alongside Nick Popplewell in the Greystones front row had helped his progress, although his form for Leinster last season was good enough to win a B cap against Scotland.

The selectors who experi-mented in New Zealand last summer at blindside flanker, have chosen Brian Robinson there. Robinson won his first 15 caps in his club position of No. 8, where Philip Lawlor now wins his second cap.

Eight of the side remain from Ireland's last outing, the dismal 59-6 defeat by New

JOHN Murphy, the Grey- Zealand in Wellington in June, with Philip Danaher retaining the captaincy he inherited at the end of the last

domestic season. Nor was that a happy memory since a 44-12 defeat by France in Paris completed

Ireland's five nations whitewash. However, the Australians will note the return of Gordon Hamilton, who scored that

memorable try against them in the World Cup quarter-final a year ago, when Australia were relieved to win 19-18. Ireland have also included Nick Gallwey, who caused the Australians many lineout problems when they lost last

problems when they lost last Wednesday to Munster. RELAND: JE Staples (London Irish): S P Geogheyen (London Irish): S P A Develor (Gernowen): A Develor (Gernowen): P A Develor (Gernowen): P Fussell (Instoniers): L F P Absente (Lendsdowne): N J Popplewell (Greystones), J Marphy (Greystones), P D McCarthy (Cork Constanton), B F Robinson (London Irish), M J Gelliwey (Stancon). P S Johns (Dungannon), G F Hamilton (Bellymens), P J Lawlor (Bechme Rengera). Haplacements: R Saunders (London Irish), A N Other, C R Wildoson (Matone), K Wood (Genyovers), G F Hapita (London Irish), K T Lasiny (Mandeness).

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HOCKEY

Two goals by Williams inspire Havant

By Sydney Friskin

DON Williams inspired Havant with two early goals but the champions still had to resist a spirited fightback by Welton for their first win in the Pizza Express National

League.
With a defeat and a draw behind them. Havant set out at a great pace, and the goals scored by Williams in the sixth and 13th minutes restored

Welton were not long in taking up the running, with Sheardown gathering pace on the right wing. Their effort was finally rewarded in the 26th minute when Borman scored from Sheardown's back pass. The Yorkshire club then attacked so strongly that the good work done by Williams might well have been

Early in the second half Havant, having earned their first short corner, forced three more in quick succession, call-ing on Clark in the Welton goal to make splendid saves

Welton retaliated by forcing two short corners before Havant took charge again, despite losing Roberts who was temporarily suspended for a ques-tionable tackle. Garcia eventually made the game safe for Havant by converting their lifth short corner with a devastating flick into the net five minutes before the end. In the closing minutes after Roberts had been recalled, Cooper received a facial injury, handed over the captaincy to WIIfiams and allowed Steve Baker, 17, to make an

It was probably the best

England pay for missed opportunities

THE Australian Institute of Sport rounded off their tour with an undefeated record after twice beating England's women 1-0 at Oakham School at the weekend (a Special Correspondent writes). A young an inexperienced England side, missing ten of

the team which recently beat

Spain, was far from outplayed

and could have reversed the

results if their forwards had

capitalised on their scoring

opportunities.

On Saturday, after Mait-land in the Australians' goal had brilliantly denied Willmore, and Gibson had

gone close, the touring team had Andrews to thank for the winner when she took full advantage of a mistake by Claxton to score in the 26th The New South Wales forward showed her internation-

al pedegree again when she

whipped in the winner yester-

day after collecting a long ball

half and rounding off an impressive attack with a powerful shot past Classon in the 25th minute.

Forced to leave out Gibson because of an injured calf, England regained the initiative in the second half, but a missed penalty by Johnson and two fine chances squandered by Bamfield and Willmore enabled the Australians to hang on to their

performance so far this season by Havant showing splendid understanding in attack, which was inspired by Garcia. But the crunch will come next Sunday when they visit Teddington for what should be another exciting match.

HAVANT: S Rowlands; D Faultiner, D Roberta, S Lawson, D Curillie, C Cooper (spotsin), P Noll, R Garcia, D Williems, C Gilee, M Cross. WELTON: P Clerk; N Young, A Humphrey, S Most, D Dewhurst, P Bormso, D Mein, A England, P Sheerdown, M Wales, D Balloy, Bram van Asselt scored all

three goals in East Grinstead's 3-0 league win over Neston. But Hounslow, who scored ten goals and conceded one in two weekend matches, shot to the top of the table on goal difference. Yesterday, Hounslow beat Slough 5-0, Thompson and

Crutchley scoring two goals each for Hounslow. On Saturday. Hounslow beat Firebrands 5-1 with Thompson and Crutchiey scoring twice. Southgate, despite being down to nine men at one point through suspensions, maintained their 100 per cent record, beating Surbiton 4-3. with goals from Gisborn (2) and Welch (2).

White is put under presssure

Ken Doherty moved into a healthy position from which to inflict yet another final defeat on Jimmy White yesterday. Doberty, led White 5-3 after the opening session of the Rothman's Grand Prix final at the Hexagon Theatre. Reading

Doherty, the 1989 world junior and world amateur champion, was considered too Short of experience to seniously extend White.
SCORES: K Dobaty (Rop of Ira) lands J. White Engl. 5-3. Frame scores (Dobaty fing): 5-67, 118-0, 89-51, 56-12, 61-27, 65-20, 4-130, 30-73.

Russians rule

Ice strafing: Marina Eltsova and Adrei Bushkov of Russia, captured the gold medal on Priday night in the Skate America International 1992 in Atlanta.

British triumph Equestrianism: John Whitaker, of Yorkshire, and Henderson Milton claimed victory in the Stuttgart international

show in Germany.

Annual meeting

Afhletics: The European Cup will be held annually instead of every two years, the Euro-pean Athletic Association decided in Prague on Saturday. ☐ Tipton Harriers, the Midland champions, broke the course record by 23 seconds as they won the national six-stage road relay championships in Sutton Park, Birmingham on

David Archer

Cricket: David Archer, the veteran Barbados and West Indies Test umpire David Archer died in hospital on Saturday at the age of 61.

Faldo slips

Golf: Britain's Nick Faldo finished twelfth in the Bridgestone Open in Chibs. Japan, which was won by Masahiro Kuramoto, yesterday.

Smith through

Rackets: The professional singles champion. Neil Smith, scored a crushing victory over Shannon Hazell in the opening leg of the world champion-ship eliminator at Clifton College.

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David Miller compares Ewood Park's new generation with the illustrious predecessors they seek to emulate

Blackburn battling to revive a hit from the past

hether the present-day Rovers football club is going to add anything fresh to the history of Blackburn, a flourishing market town of former flourishing market town of former Elizabethan days and then a focal point of eighteenth and nineteenth century iron and cotton industries.

They conspicuously failed to do so in a goalless Premier League match against Manchester United on Saturday. It was not for want of trying, by either Jack Walker, the club's benefactor, or the players who have been bought by Kenny Daiglish. Dare one say they are not yet quite good enough? The taunts thrown at Alan Shearer, the £3.3 million centre forward from Southampton on whom both Blackburn and England place so much expeciation, by United supporters was less than fair.

"You only want the money," they sang. I do not doubt that they would grab the money were they so lucky to have the chance, though their mood is a reflection of the gulf in identity that exists today

between players and public.
That gulf is less stark when you arrive, say, at Old Trafford, where United's stadium has long had an aura of wealth and style, a sense of grand opera at which you expect to witness the performance of superstars who are appropriately rewarded financially. Ewood Park is different. Blake's

"dark satanic mills" are mostly, thankfully, long gone. One or two of those poplar-like, forbidding red-brick chimneys are still visible from the £15 seats in this centuryold stadium, where they once had 61,783 people for a cup-tie against Bolton in 1929, and nowadays the limit is 20,000. There was not a spare seat on Saturday. . .

The ironies hit you as you wind up from the bustling city centre to the little ground smugging be-neath rolling Ribblesdale hills, hemmed in by terraced Victorian streets: delimitive scene of Football League founders, home of one of the most famous of FA Cupwinning chils. The corner shops and "caffs" have little changed from my early journalistic days, the elegant era of Clayton and Douglas on £18 a week, when Power method their last final. Rovers reached their last final:

You can still have egg, sausage and chips at the Ewood Cafe for and chips at the Ewood Cafe for less than the price of a packet of cigarettes, a stone's throw from where Shearer, Ripley, and the rest are being paid thousands a week to search for new glory; though the local residents and shopkeepers do not seem resentful, perhaps grater fold Matthews, who made to the last ful for a shore of veflected prompt. ful for a share of reflected promi-

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trade during hard times. Nobody pauses to consider that you could build a technical training college for Blackburn's youth for the price of the present Rovers team. It is a daunting pedigree that

Shearer and Ripley are trying to emulate. For seven years, Clayton and Douglas, with 71 caps be-tween them, spanning two World Cups of 1958 and 1962, were part of the nucleus of Walter Winterhottom's team: the craftsman in midfield and the magician on the wing. Clayton, so precise, replaced Wright when that player replaced Wright when that player moved to centre half for England, then giving way to Bobby Robson before the World Cup in Chile, briefly having conceded his place to the more physical Clamp in Sweden four years earlier.

The diministric Pouglas was in the great modified of Lancashire wingers, successor to the 41-wear-

ing to the dismay of many a full back when on the opposite flank to Finney. Together with Bobby Charlton in Chile, Douglas formed the last memorable England wing partnership in an era when beating defenders was a matter of dribbling round them rather than kicking over their

heads. And how the public loved it.

When Blackburn reached Wernbley in 1960, they might still have defeated Wolverhampton, even though the quixotic Dougan did ask for a transfer the day of the final, and contributed little on the hallowed turf. But a moment after McGrath, approaching half-time, had sliced a centre by Stobart into his own net, the unfortunate Whelan broke his leg in a tackle on Deeley, who scored twice more in the 3-0 victory.

Also in that Blackburn side was one of the most gifted inside forwards of all, Peter Dobing, a young player of sublime dribbling skills and body swerve who was the making. He has a left foot as Giggs, for all his shining skills, is which is not the physical poise of remains uncomfortably uncertain.

never to folial his promise. Other stars to follow were Pickering, a willowy centre forward who later moved to Everton and scored five goals in three appearances in Alf Ramsey's formative sides; Mike England at centre half; and Keith Newton, who was to figure in that

Nobody pauses to consider you could build a college for the youth for the price of Blackburn's team

dramatic reverse against West Germany in 1970. The attention in 1992 may be on Shearer, yet young Alan Wright at left back is predicted to be another Newton in sensitive as Ray Wilson's, but was most unhappy in the recent defeat by Norway Under-21 at Peterborough. He still has much to learn.

Can the Rovers of today, backed by Walker's fortune and Dalglish's management, restore the pride? They will need to do better than they did now, never mind the recent glut of goals against Nor-wich. Such football as there was on a frustrating afternoon preceded by rain and hail was largely played by United, though their inability to finish continues to stalk them. You wonder sometimes whether

Alex Ferguson, who has spent more than Dalglish in the attempt to create United's first Championship winning team for 25 years, has too many players on call, and too many options, as well as too

On Saturday, he was playing a 4-4-2 formation, with McClair drawn into midfield with Ince. Darren Ferguson and Blackmore.



not remotely a scoring winger in the realm of Best; while Hughes is the kind of unpredictable striker who hits half a dozen memorable shots a season, but poaches few of the one-touch close-range goals that make a Lineker. The failure to sign Shearer and injury to Dublin may see United finish empty

handed again.

United's inter-passing, especial-ly in the first half when the gentle Ferguson was at his most effective, was in marked contrast to Blackburn's aggressive running, which was usually halted by the robust marking - sometime too robust of Bruce, who was booked, and Pallister. It will largely be athletic power rather than subtlety that

brings Shearer his goals. He and Ripley are built more like rugby threequarters robust, thick-thighed, and, with knees and toes pointing at ten-to-three, their natural stance places their knees closer together than their feet,

the touch player. Remember Finney and Matthews, or take a look at the slightly bowed legs of Giggs, or the low-slung shuffle of Cowans, who tried to link the Blackburn attack.

Newell, cutting inside on the half-hour, came closest to scoring for Blackburn when he clipped the top of the crossbar, though shortly afterwards, Giggs went close with a difficult balf-volley on the turn from Irwin's neatly floated through coses. through-pass.
Midway through the second

half, Shearer squandered his best chance, striking the ball straight at Schmeichel, who had advanced to the edge of the penalty area, when he might well have lobbed him. Ten minutes from the end, United had a flurry of four corners, with Blackburn glad to hack the ball anywhere, and thankful to survive. They will have been pleased to take a point when not playing well, but for United, the route to success

YACHTING

British Steel sails proudly into Rio

BY BARRY PICKTHALL

RICHARD Tudor and his British Steel II crew sailed into Rio de Janeiro at 13:43 GMT yesterday to win the first stage of the British Steel Challenge round-the-world race. They completed the 5,300-mile leg from the Solent three days ahead of schedule and more than 100 miles ahead of the their nearest rival, Interspray, skippered by Paul Jeffes, which was expected to finish early today.

Heath Insured, which had been running a close third throughout last week, had dropped back more than 240 miles over the weekend and Adrian Donovan and his crew are not now expected to finish

As the champagne flowed, Tudor congratulated his crew. It's an amazing achievement. It is exactly what we dreamt of for so long. I just find it hard to believe it has actually happened." Claire McKernan, a 28-

year- old section manager from Swansea, was equally ecstatic. "When I first enrolled on the challenge three years ago. I had never been sailing. Now I have raced over 5,300 miles against nine crews on identical boats - and won.

Twenty-nine days ago, I was a confirmed sea-sicknesssuffering land-lubber wanting to prove to myself that I could overcome my fear of boats. This is a pretty spectacular way of doing it."

Behind the leading trio. Mike Golding and his crew on Group 4 Securitas have a

EDDIE Warden Owen, de-

feated for a semi-final place on

Saunday by Roy Heiner, from

Holland, yesterday took fifth place and \$4.750 in prize-

money at the Omega Gold

Cup match-racing grand prix

vesterday (Malcolm McKeag

writes). He best George

Diesch, Ed Baird and Peter

Bromby, of Bermuda, in the

Owen, whose British match-

consolation sail-off.

Warden Owen takes fifth

battle to retain fourth place. Hofbran Lager was just eight miles astern yesterday, and Pride of Teesside, skippered by Ian MacGillivray, and Nuclear Electric, skippered by John Chittenden, are level pegging a further seven miles

Commercial Union, the last of the yachts within the ten-strong fleet which faced light winds early in the race and then became ensuared in the Doldrums, finally crossed the Equator yesterday.

Still some 1,400 miles from Rio, her amateur crew had its spirits lifted with the fun and games of baptising those who had not crossed the line

"Neptune arrived annoint us all with some awful concection the first mate knocked up in the galley," Sue Tight said, after washing the mixture out of her hair.

Given good winds for the remainder of the voyage, Will Sutherland and his crew can expect to reach Rio within a week. That would leave them two weeks to prepare for the restart on November 15, when the fleet sets out for Cape Horn en route to Hobart, Tasmiania, the second stopover in this 27,000 mile race. OVER IN this 27,000 mills race.
FINSHER: 1, British Steal II (R Tucker), 29 days 62% 4 Smin. Other positions for 1420 GMT yesterday; with tribes to Rio. de Juneto: 2, intercepts; P. Jeffery, 90 miles; 1, intercept (A Dorovan), 242; 4, Group 4 Securias (M Gotting), 471; 5, Hobrau Lager (P Goss), 478; equal 6, Pitcher Lager (P Goss), 478; equal 6, Pitcher (J Chilarothi), 485; 8, Rhore Poulenc (J Chilarothi), 485; 8, Rhore Poulenc (J O'Dricoll, 582; 9, Coopers & Lybtand (V Cheny), 591; 10, Commercial Linion (W Sutherland) 1,407.

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race sailing team is sponsored

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land, won this event last year

but this time suffered cruelly at

the hands of the patchy shifty

winds of Hamilton harbour. His fellow Britons, Stuart

Childerley and Andrew Cape,

went one step further through to the semi-finals, only to fall

to the American skipper, Paul

Cavard.

of the ninth inning - before Dave Winfield, the oldest player on either team, steered them bome in the second extra.

ionship rings, Winfield, 41, had only once before even played in a World Series and then he lost. He joined the Blue Jays from the Californian Angels last December for a salary of \$2.3 million, which almost looks like a bargain after his commbution this sea

Just such a loss seemed likely when Winfield came to the plate in the top of the eleventh. The scores were level

The ball skidded down the

watched it on a giant screen in Toronto's SkyDome. What they saw was heart-stopping stuff. Twice Toronto took the lead only to lose it the encoud time in the bottom

In a 20-year career which had been long on financial reward but short on champToronto win sedes 4-2

No sooner had Carter stepped on the bag than he and the winning pitcher, Jimmy Key, a Toronto stalwart. were engulfed by jubilant

scored on a sacrifice by Penagain immediately when Can-

were silent. They thundered back to life in the bottom of the ninth, however, when Jeff Blauser singled and then was advanced round the bases by Berryhill, Smith and Pendleton for the equalising run.

Atlanta still had two men on but they were unable to bring either home and the game went into extra inning and Winfield stepped up to make his mark.

The Toronto catcher, Pat Borders, was named the most valuable player of the series, not for his catching, which was deficient when it came to preventing stolen bases, but for his batting. He averaged .450, had nine hits, including one home run, and hit safely at least once in each of the series and play-off games. extending a post-season streak to 14 games.

This was the second consecutive defeat in the World Series for the Braves. Last year, they lost an equally draining championship in seven games to the Minnesota Twins; this year, they reached the series only thanks to an unlikely ninth-inning recovery against the Pittsburgh Pirates in the final game of the play-Bobby Cox, their manager,

could not disguise his disap-pointment. "We're thankful that we got here two years in a row, but we are not exactly jumping up and down just now. We wanted to win," he

going back to Toronto with the championship. It's America's game but now it's going to

SQUASH

Marshall on the climb

FROM COLIN McQuillan in amsterdam

PETER Marshall, the British champion, picked off another of the world's elite in the second round of the Dutch Open here on Saturday, as he beat Rodney Martin, of Australia, 15-17, 7-15, 15-12, 15-12, 15-8 in 73 minutes.

Marshall followed up that success last night when he went into the semi-finals by defeating Danny Meddings 17-14, 15-13, 9-15, 15-7. Unique as the only double-handed player among the top professionals, Marshall, 21,

said after winning the national championship last January that he was hoping to enter the world's top five this year. By beating Chris Robertson and Brett Martin, both from Australia, and the New Zealander, Ross Norman, Mar-

the world ranking list. The following month, in the World Open in Johannes-burg, Marshall drove Jahangir Khan out of the tournament in exhaustion. Here, he repeated the treat-ment for Martin, the 1991 world champion who is the

shall was elevated to 10th on

present world No. 4. Just as Jahangir dominated the first two games in Johan-nesburg. Martin took the early part of Saturday's secondround match with fluent authority, moving with easy rhythm and striking nicks seemingly at will.

Martin fell abruptly into a series of five unforced errors and from 12-12 contributed two penalty strokes to his eventual downfall. From that

point on, Marshall's strength

commanded the court.

But Marshall's straight and

unchanging rallying is enormously physically demanding. At 6-6 in the third game.

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COMPETITION

Matthew Nicholls, of 88. Matthew Nicholls, of 88, Houseybrook Terrace, Franche, Kidderminster, has won The Times/Sky Sports competition offering a luxury package to the world beavyweight boxing championship eliminator between Longon Lewis and Rasin Ruddock at Earls Court on Saurglay October 31.

Razor Ruddock at Earls Court
on Saturday, October 31.
Mr Nicholls wins a prize
including a pair of ringside
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breakinst at the White House
Hotel, Regent's Park, travel
expenses and a pair of Lewis's
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Wallwood Road, Leytoustone;
Bruce Dear, 16, Weston Way,
Baldock; Jane Leicester, 1,
Talbot Hill Road,
Bournemouth, and John Kidd,

Bourcemouth, and John Kidd, Park View House, Bull Lane, Wrotham. The answers were: 1, Canada; 2, Super-heavweight; 3, Mike Dixon.

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BASEBALL

Winfield steers Toronto to Series

PROM KETTE BLACKMORE IN ATLANTA

FF WAS ten to one yesterday morning when Joe Carter stepped on first base to thwart Otis Nixon's desperate dive and take the World Series out of the United States for the first time in its 90-year history. By beating the Atlanta Braves 4-3 in a see-sawing game which lasted 11 innings and more than four hours, the Toronto Blue Jays won the best-of-seven World Series by four matches to two and became champions only 15 years after the club had en-

tered the major leagues. There are no Canadiaus on the team's 25-man roster, which comprises 19 players from the United States, three from the Dominican Repubhic, two from Puerto Rico and one from Jamaica. That has not diminished Canadian enthusiasm: although the game was shown live on Canadian television, more than 45,000

son. He has made all the difference to a team which had a reputation for losing when it

and Toronto had two men on with two out. Winfield had not looked like getting a hit all night until he found himself facing another veteran, the relief pitcher, Charlie Leibrandi. "I know what he throws." Winfield said. "He gave me a pitch that I could

left field line for a double. Winfield's first extra-base his in 45 attempts in the World Series, and two runs scored. This was a cruel blow to the Braves, who had recovered from being a run down with two outs in the bottom of the ninth to force the extra innings. They almost did it again in the bottom of the eleventh. Blauser scored on a sacrifice, and Smoltz, a pinchrunner, would have made it 4-4 had Nixon managed to beat

the throw to first base after a

mum trustes. None celebrates harder than Winfield. "I am the oldest man in the room and I waited the longest for a championship but I am the happiest," he said. "I didn't do a whole lot but I did it at the right time." Toronto had been in control for much of the game. They took the lead in the first inning, when Carter's sacrifice fly brought home Devon

White. The Braves caught up in the third, when Sanders dicton. Toronto took the lead dy Maldanado hit a home run over centrefield, and for a while the war drums which drive the Atlanta fans' anthem, the Tomahawk Chop,

When he crossed the plate,

The last word, however, belongs to Winfield. "We are Canada for a while."

CYCLING

Boardman's absence deflates Britain's challenge

FROM PETER BRYAN IN PARIS

THE three-day Nations track competition, which ended here last night, cried out from the start for Chris Boardman to appear astride his hi-tech Lotus cycle and add to the British squad's scoring ability and lift it from eighth, and last, place, where it had stayed throughout the series.

It was not to be. The Olympic pursuit champion decided immediately after

Barcelona that he wanted a Wallace, runner-up in the complete rest from the sport. Only for a few seconds, when invited to lead the British team of eight in a daily series of eight races, did Boardman consider accepting before

If nothing else, the last three days of racing should lay to rest earlier comments that his Olympic gold medal was won by the machine and not the The Lotus pursuit cycles were here, one for Shaun

professional world championship, and Bryan Steel, the British rider who had given the machine its competition debut. Neither was able to produce times that would have underpinned Britain's chances from the start.

In fairness to the squad, the opportunity for track competition ended almost two months ago and the riders' task was not made easier by each having to compete in at least

ual and team pursuits, timetrial, motorcycle-paced. elimination, points and sprint events was a foretaste of the proposed formula for the world championships from 1995. It produced a three-cor-

The programme of individ-

nered rivalry between Germany, France and Russia from day one, dominated by the Germans, whose classic pro-em line-up included Jens Fielder, Michael Hubner and Jens Lehmann, recalling their

Valencia. Wallace turned in the best British performace, reaching the 3,000 metres pursuit final against Boardman's Olympic final opponent, Lehmann. But

successes at Barcelona and

the German was not deterred by his latest encounter with the Lotus cycle and won by four seconds, with a time of 3min 20.94sec to ensure overall victory for his team and take prize money of about £27,000. FINAL POSITIONS: 1, Germany 188 policy 188; Super Patricia 8, Russia 127; 8, Great Patricia 83

Substitute Barmby earns Spurs a point

Tottenham Hotspur......1

DESPITE the optimism about Tottenham's long-term future generated by Terry Venables, the bald truth is that his side have not won in six matches and started this game in their lowest league position for four years.

Venables has handed team control to the coaches, Doug Livermore and Ray Clemence. But after the interval yesterday, he left the directors' box for a rare return to a touchline. His presence seemed to work.

A goal from Barmby, 18, one of the youngsters on whom Venables bases his optimism about the club's future, secured Tottenham a point and a small lift up the table. On the evidence of this showing, though, this season is to be more about struggle to retain status rather than a pursuit of honours.

Vinnie Jones was in party mood for the cameras before the start of Wimbledon's first live televised league game. He was the centre of attraction in other ways, 100. Sam. Hammam, the owner of Wimbledon, devoted a large amount of space in his programme notes claiming there was one rule for Paul Gascoigne playing for England and another for Jones in a Wimbledon shirt: "You couldn't get a clearer case of double standards than that".

When the action began. Jones was still to the fore. After only 50 seconds, he put a shot over the Tottenham bar after Gibson, making his first ap-pearance since September 2. played back a centre from

With Tottenham in 19th position, and Wimbledon one place below them, the expectstion was not great. Nor was the reason for making the fixture a televised attraction over-clear. The attendance was only 8.628.

Tottenham started in typical passing style to belie the oessimism. After 13 minutes. Samways had Segers tip away an explosive left foot shot. Seven minutes later, the ball fell kindly for Fasham, but his shot cannoned off Ruddock.

After 33 minutes, Fashami was in action again, but at the other end, performing defensive chores in his own six yards area, ending a Tottenham attack by ballooning the ball over his own bar.

Wimbledon went ahead in controversial fashion in the 39th minute. Fashanu reached the ball slightly ahead of Walker, and both went down. The ball broke loose for Cotterill to send it to the far post for Gibson to score his

first goal since December. Walker, who needed prolonged treatment after his collision with Fashanu, was still on the ground as the ball went in, but the referee ruled that Walker was holding down Fashanu with their legs entangled. The goalkeeper timped off after 44 minutes, with a handshake from Fashanu as he went.

With Thorstvedt as his replacement, and Barmby, an England under-21 prospect, on for Durie, Tottenham were level three minutes after the break. Sheringham centred from the right, Segers caught Barmby's flashing header on the line, but the ball squirmed away from him and over.

Barmby, who also scored an equaliser when brought on as substitute against Middles-brough nine days ago, was denied a second goal after 52 minutes when Fitzgerald cleared his shot from inside the six-yard area.

Shaken by Tottenham's spirited fightback, Wimbledon sent on Holdsworth. It was Tottenham, though, who seemed the likeliest to succeed and they were only just denied a winner when Samways chipped the ball goalwards and McLeary, the Miliwall centre half who is on loan, intervened on the line. WIMBLEDON: H Segens, W Berton, Joseph, V Jones, A McLeary, S Pizzgeral Girenn, (sub. R. McAllister) R Farte



Toe hold: Nayim, the Tottenham midfield player, right, beats Barton to the ball at Selhurst Park yesterday

rising casualty rate Serial 2 Arsenal have of began librate V Pressur Rose Arsenal's challenge

ARSENAL'S victory against Everton on Saturday was their fearth in a row, and lifted them to fourth in the Premier League, but it was won at a heavy cost. They collected injuries like a schoolboy collects autographs, finishing with ten men on the field and two of them were struggling. So Arsenal could be joining the list of championship contenders whose chances are drifting away, their ambitions

thwarted by a build-up of injuries they could not have expected and cannot cope with Whether the increasing pressure or ever more framic nace of the game is responsible is a most point but nobody at-Liverpool, Sheffield Wednesday or Cheisea, to name but ree, can remember anything

Dhos and Wright, of Arsenal were substituted after pulling hamstrings. Winterburn was helped off the field with a worrying knee ligament injury and Jensen and Pates anisate niong

George Graham, the Arsenal manager, was clearly concerned but, with a confidence born of managing a big club, showed also a measure of indifference. "It wasn't a physical game at all," he said. "In the last 20 minutes, we had ten men and they had 11 and they looked just as tired as we did. You saw two very tired teams out there and it is not even November yet.

But injuries are part and parcel of the game and we showed a lot of character today. You could see how tired teams look at the moment. You just cannot have the same players playing all season."

Clearly, though, it helps to:
be able to pick the same teams
week in, and week out, as

ly, got their bearings. After a minute. Jensen shot just over the bar, after two, Winterburn drove narrowly wide, and after three. Southall denied Campbell and a blue shirt scrambled the ball out for a corner. But there was no respite. Merson's cross floated over a shoal of defenders sucked

towards the near post for Wright, unmarked, to put away the easiest of close-range headers. The game immediately began to look easy for Arsenal. For 25 minutes, they were cruising in the Rolls-Royce tradition. Then, though, the

engine began to fall apart. First to go was Dixon, Pates coming on to organise a reshorte. Minutes later. Wright, too, limped away and was replaced by the ever-

popular Limpar. Arsenal supporters wanted to see the Swede on the left wing but, instead, he settled in midfield. No matter - you could play Limpar in goal at the moment and he would still win matches — and 12 minutes into the second half, der exchanging a one-two with Merson, he scampered away to roll the gentlest of shots inside a post and put Arsenal out of reach.

Everton, for their part, were ontriassed. Their diddy men up front, faced by the twin pillars of Arsenal's defence. Bould and Adams, were reduced to feeding off defensive mistakes. Apart from during a belated revival, they never threatened to score. Howard Kendall, their manager, was obviously unhappy and said simply: "We deserved what (ooper

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U-turn proves decisive

Oldham Athletic1

UNFASHIONABLE though he may be in his footballing style - let alone his unkempt hair and ungainly gait — Ian 24 hours before a match that was every bit as dour and uncompromising as the Lan-

Marshall had not been expected to face Aston Villa secause of injury problems. Subsequently, Joe Royle, the Oldham manager, a keen strategist and meticulous forward planner, had spent several days reshaping his team. On Friday lunchtime, Marshall declared himself fit. "We

Lineker plays for charity

help raise £100,000 for youngsters by playing in a charity match against Leeds

The former England captain will appear for his new Nagoya team, Gramous Eight, in a game at Elland Road in April. All the

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had been planning all week long without Ian and then he announced that he was willing to play," said Royle. "If he had not put himself back in the reckoning, I would not have played Olney, who scored our goal. It was a complete U-turn but it does seem to have been a

week for U-turns," he said. Marshall's runs into the heart of the opposition's penalty area proved to be an important ingredient in Oldham's pot-pourri of effort and enterprise. His physical presence alongside the equally robust and inventive Sharp preoccupied Villa to such an extent that only rarely did they produce football not undermined by self-doubt and

Although Villa had trailed since the twentieth minute, an

equalising goal became more

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appeal to create a holiday centre for children in Leeds. Grimsby Town, who won 1-0 away against Newcastie United on Saturday, have earned the vote for the Barclays Performance of the

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of a probability as a game of commendable effort but few chances neared its end.

Having spent the entire afternoon attempting to get the better of the immaculate Jobson, Saunders drifted out to the right flank with eight minutes remaining to make his most telling contribution of the afternoon. His high, looping cross would have ended its journey in the car park had it caught the wind, but it passed unhindered into the penalty area, over Redmond, the Oldham centre back, and into the path of Atkinson, who scored

with a fine header. In his programme notes, Royle had complained that the heading of the ball in British football had become a "dead art". Oldham had seized the initiative when Olney had displayed remarkable positional awareness to deflect in a

Jobson beader. "Villa are rightly classed as contenders for the championship, so I am encouraged because there was not too much between the sides to-

MUCH DEIWEET THE States to-day." Royle Said.
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Coventry decline

COVENTRY City's spell in the sun appears to be running out with the advent of winter. On Saturday, they suffered their third home defeat of the season as Chelsea continued their recent improvement (Peter Ball writes).

Coventry are now without a win in five games. On Saturday, the introduction of Paul Williams as substitute caused Chelsea a few uncomfortable moments, and produced a goal for Rosario, but Mick-Harford, of Chelsea, made more impact. His seventh goal of the season and one from Stuart gave Chelsea victory.



Harford: seventh goal

Shearer 12, Ripley 3

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TRANSFERS: Marion Beresford (Burnley) from Sheff Wed, #95,0000. LOANS: Dave Beasant (Chelsea) to Grimsby; Justin Channing (QPR) to Bristol Rov; Paul Williams (West Brom) to Coventry; Kieron Brady (Sunderland) to Doncaster; Robert Herrera (QPR) to Torquay; Phil Kite (Sheff Utd) to Rotherham; David Speedie (Southampton) to Birmingham.

Elsewhere, goalkeepers end-ed a bad week for for the fraternity with a deliant show of resistance. Fittingly Chris Woods, the England representative, led the way with a dazzling display to ensure. Sheffield Wednesday gained point at **Middlesbrou**

Woods was beaten only once. Paul Wilkinson turning in Tommy Wright's cross after an outstanding move to equalise Bright's goal.
At Ipswich Town, both

goalkeepers saved penalties, Nigel Martyn saving from Steve Whitton before Clive Baker denied Gareth Southrate what would have been Crystal Palace's winner in the closing stages.

Palace had led twice as Chris Coleman and Chris Armstrong laid early claim to the title bargain buy of the season, with a goal each, but they were cancelled out on both occasions by Jason

There were no goals at Bramall Lane but, after conceding nine to Sheffield United in their meetings last season, Nottingham Forest gained more will feel they than a point.

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Chelsea prosper as Rangers shine in class act Rangers' title credentials al-Queens Park Rangers ... 2

Leeds United...

By RUSSELL KEMPSON

GEORGE Best and Rodney Marsh: those wizards of the dribble from a bygone era, will have appreciated the entertainment. Not quite up to their Stilky standards. gilt-edged offering nonethe-

Best and Marsh, waxing lyrical for the media at Loftus Road on Saturday, witnessed a rare Premier League spectacle. Out and thrust, without the use of a blunt instrument; push and run, without the head-down mentality.

Oueens Park Rangers claimed the final honours by virtue of clinical second-half finishes from Bardsley and Ferdinand. It propelled them into third place in the table, tucked in behind Blackburn Rovers and Norwich City, yet they failed to convince Gerry Francis, their manager, of the fruits that may lie ahead.

"We'll get a truer reflection of how we are doing when we've played around 20 games, when everyone has played everyone else," he said. That's when we'll really know if we're on the right tracks.".

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Arsenal (tr Nov 11)

ready stand close scrutiny: just two defeats in 13 league outings this season. A burning desire to please the eye, while remaining combative and competitive, will earn them as

many friends as points. Even with Wilkins, their cantain and inspiration in : subdued mood, Rangers remamed a unreat. darting bursts from the back and Holloway's escalating confidence more than compensated for an isolated Wilkins off-day.

Leeds United's contribution - as in their 2-1 European Cup defeat against the other Rangers, of Glasgow, last Wednesday - deserved better reward. Though missing the charms of Cantona, who was rested, they bore few scars from Scotland.

Their midfield quartet of Batty. Speed. Strachan and McAllister contains a heady blend of pace, aggression and artistry. At times, the Rangers of London were overwhelmed; at times. Leeds would have graced a live Sunday afternoon showing on Channel 4. Lukic, away from the bright lights of Ibrox, had also recovered his composure. Stops from Impey and Allen, plus safe handling and positive

shame of passing his midweek audition for the school of Scottish goalheepers. Wallace, Cantona's replace-

ment, squandered two clear

chances in the opening half-hour and Steiskal denied Speed with a flying save as Leeds sensed an overdue first away league win of the seaon. Stractian in through in the 58th minute. volleying in Chapman's nearpost nod-back from Batty's throw in but Speed twice

wasted openings and allowed

a relieved Rangers to make good their escape. Bardsley headed in after the entire Leeds defence had gone Awol and Ferdinand skipped through, six minutes from time, for the clincher after outstripping Whyte and Newsome with ridiculous

He collected a fortunate rebound off Lukic and with an air of almost casual disdain shades of Best and Marsh in their prime - he stroked the ball over the line.

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Sheron's golden touch brings relief for City

Southampton ...

Manchester City...

BY PETER BALL

THERE were two rainbows arching over Maine Road on Saturday. At their end was not a crock of gold but Manchester City's first home league win since August. City just about deserved it

although, at times, the criterion seemed to rest on swimming rather than footballing ability. Players aquaplaned out of control while the ball stuck in puddles on what some would say was a waterlogged

It was not a setting for football's finer skills and, in a game of four bookings and a contested goal, the most con-troversial decision made by Philip Don, the referee, was to start the game. "No other sport thinks it has

to play in such conditions." Peter Reid, the City playermanager, said. "I said to lan Branfoot that I'd told my players just to hump it behind them and hope for mistakes and he said the same." The first half, in which

Southampton proved more adept at the basics, was as bad as that sounds. With Curle and Hill in ourstanding form; better thereafter, playing some quite good football in the last third of the field.

the season.

ble, nullified White. Reid still needs a crock of gold, whether at the end of a rainbow or from City's bankers. Otherwise, it could be a



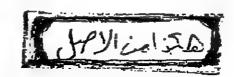
City survived and did rather

None more so than Rick Holden, who has so far struggled to recapture his Oldham Athletic form for City. On Saturday, he began to win over the notoriously critical crowd and was instrumental in City's goal, returning a clearance with a stop volley McEnroe might have envied for Quinn to head against the bar and Sheron to run home. the rebound for his first goal of

"I'm deadly from a yard." the forward said, but he might have had a couple more. Flowers making two superb saves to deny him. Sheron's brightness and Quinn's aerial power could not disguise City's continuing lack of fire as the conditions, which made running with the ball impossi-

long, hard winter at Maine Road

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Graf's seaside success story survives stormy challenge

By Andrew Longmore, tennis correspondent

THE spoils went the usual way yesterday. Steffi Grai winning her sixth title in seven years at the Midland championships in Brighton and a cheque for £40,000. But for much of the longest final on record at this tournament, the scales were tipped firmly in favour of Jana Novotna, who came to within two points of cutting short Gran's highly profitable seaside excursions before faltering in the third-set tie-break.

Poor Novotna must be sick of the sight of Graf. After defeats in the final of the and semi-final in Leipzig, this was the Czechoslovak's third loss to Graf in the last four

weeks and she will rarely have a better chance of putting matters to right. Graf had to issue an official apology for sneaking the title out through the back door with a 4-6, 6-4 7-6 victory that owed as much to obstinacy as skill. "Every time I come back, it must be hard for her. I was lucky to get

world No. 9, was 30-0 and serving for the match at 5-4 in surrender a title she regards as her personal property. She won the next four points. breaking back with a stock-in-trade forehand crosscourt and, her confidence restored. sent her loyal band of followaway with the tie-break. " was lucky to get out of that," Graf admitted. "All I can say to Jana is 'sorry'. This is the

History suggested that it would be a long and hard-fought affair. Their last four matches on indoor carpet had gone the distance, each player winning twice, and Novotna had given fair warning of her challenge when taking the first set off the champion in the semi-final in Brighton three years ago. Graf was at the height of her powers then. but Novotna, one of the few natural volleyers on the tour, has always had the game to test Graf. She did so to the full

third time in four weeks."

both players pinpointed the

second set as the moment of truth. Novotna, serving consistently and returning brilliantly at times, had broken Graf twice to take the opening set and kept up the momenturn early in the second. She led 3-1 and, though broken back to 3-3, had three chances to break the champion again at 4-4, which would have left

her to serve out for the match. Three unforced errors, the result of overeagerness and taut nerves, handed the psy-chological initiative straight back to Graf, who duly broke decisively to level the match.

"I was ahead and on top of my game at that time, so that's when I felt I could win it," Novoma said. "When you get as close as I did. it hurts. but I have showed once more that I can keep up with her and one day I'll find the right ball to finish it off." It will become harder with each

second set, Graf still could not find any rhythm in the face of Novotna's deliberate pace. She was broken in the first and seventh games of the

final set and only seemed to shed her inhibitions early in the tie-break, an inch-perfect lob and an old-fashioned winner off her otherwise erratic forehand contributing to a 5-0 lead and, for the first time in a match that lasted two hours and 32 minutes. she had a precious safety

"She let me back into the game in the second set. She wasn't aggressive enough."
Graf said. "But when I was
right down, I just thought
how mad I would be if I lost. This is my title."

Graf promised to back next year to extend her sequence of 30 consecutive victories, stretching back to 1985, and there was at least some consolation for Novotna, who partnered Larisa Savchenko-Neiland to victory in the



McCarthy's switch produces dividends for Millwall

Cooper plays leading role in ending Wolves' record

Wolverhampton W 0

By Louise Taylor

POSSIBLY the best decision of Mick McCarthy's short managerial career has been to convert Colin Cooper from full back to centre half. Cooper was the man responsible for ending Wolverhampton Wanderers' unbeaten record yesterday by not only advancing to head Millwall into a 58thshackling Steve Bull.

On a day more suited to playing ducks and drakes than first division football, the puddles deposited on the pitch during a pre-match downpour frequently reduced proceed-ings to a lottery. Had it not been for the presence of ITV television cameras the game might not even have begun. As it was, The Den was treated to a classy performance

21 during the late 1980s. Cooper's hair has reverted to mid-brown while the shirt is now a No. 5, accessorised by the captain's armband.

Chiefly responsible for marking Bull yesterday proba-bly represented Cooper's stiffest test in his new position. He passed with flying colours. Although slightly short for a centre half. Cooper was largely the reason why you could count the number of Wolves' chances on the fingers of one

been converted, too. In the 78th minute, Moralee, an exciting youngster introduced to the attack by

looked more like a toy poodle.

superb header from Rae's

centre - Cooper's positional

sense and distribution were

impeccable. Despite being rather right-footed, he is more comfortable in possession than many central defenders.

McCarthy: a hit-and-hope

merchant as a player, actively

encourages his team to adhere

to the passing game and Miliwall's crowd have finally

Surprisingly good in the air

Having signed John Byrne for £275,000 from Sunderland on Saturday, Millwall should have a promising season in store.

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McCall: opening goal

Cup handed to Rangers

AN extra time own goal by Gary Smith, the Aberdeen defender, handed Rangers the Skol Cup for the seventh time in ten years at Hampden Park

With the score I-I, a penalty shoot-out was six minutes away when Smith and Mark Hateley, of Rangers, dived by David Robertson.

Smith arrived fractionally ahead of Hateley - but his glancing header skidded into the corner of the net to give Rangers a 2-1 win.

Aberdeen had fought back after going behind to a 14th goal by Stuart McCall. Duncan Shearer equalized after 62 minutes to send the match

Stapleton might have to settle for reflected glory

AT 35, with a dodgy knee and without a league goal for 18 months, time is fast running out for Frank Stapleton the player. But for Stapleton the fledgling manager, life could

On Sarurday, his Bradford City team beat Leyton Orient 1-0, knocking Orient off the top of the second division and moving up to second place

While for every good player who has gone on to become a good manager there are many more who have fallen flat on their face. Stanleton, less than a year after his first managerial appointment, could hardly have made a more encourag-

ing start. When he took over at Valley Parade last December. Bradford were in deep trouble. The long-ball style preferred by John Docherty had brought had alienated supporters.

The change in style and revival in fortunes has been swift. Bradford are now good: at times, very good. They knock the ball about in midfield with a panache not usually associated with second division teams, make full use of the sweeper system by from full back, and possess in

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the second and third divisions

Jewell and McCarthy the division's most prolific attacking

whether to laugh or cry. Ten weeks ago, he had a cartilage removed from a knee. He has not been able to train since and lears another operation may be needed. Memories of a sparkling career as a striker with Arsenal, Manchester United and the Republic of Ireland are too recent for him not to feel frustrated as he is forced to watch from the sidelines.

"Yes, I'm itching to play and I can still do a good job but, at not say was that he might just struggle to force his way back into his own side.

Orient, who defended gal

lantly and caused a number of alarms when chasing the game in the last 20 minutes, were nonetheless patently secand best throughout.

come to Turner's rescue five times, the score would have

reflected Bradford's superior ity. Jewell had hit one post in the first half, Blake the other. Lawford's deflected shot. Tinnion's teasing cross and McCarthy's low drive had all met the same fate after the

In between, Blake had finally found the target, timing his run across the area perfectly to meet Tinnion's left-wing cross with a firm header in the 68th

"It is going to get harder," Stapleton said. "I want to be top and stay top and that brings its own pressure, as Orient found out today. But it's better than life at the

bottom,"
BRADFORD CITY: P Tomknoon: W
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second division are Swansea City, who beat Reading. West Bromwick Albion. in poor form, surrendered two more home points against Rotherham United and drop to third.

Barnet. bedevilled by offfield problems, slumped 4-1 at Lincoln City to lose the chance of closing on the third division leaders. York City. who were without a game.

e in class

Patience runs out at Southend

from Cooper. A peroxide blond left back for Middles-

porters called for the removal of the club chairman, Vic Jobson, and manager, Colin Murphy, after a 1-1 draw with Cambridge United vesterday. their sixth successive league garne without a victory.

Andy Ansah earned the home side a point, heading home a cross from Adam Locke four minutes from time. ous drive from 12 yards just before half-time.

Jim Dobbin, the Grimsby Town captain, scored at St James' Park to end Newcastle United's 100 per cent league record on Saturday, while Sunderland, beaten by Newcastle last week, went down 2-0 at Portsmooth.

The biggest crowd of the season at Upton Park, 17.842,

in the league for the first time since August. Craig Maskell scored from a free kick six minutes from time to give Swindon Town a 1-0 win. Derby County beat Charlton Athletic 4-3, their

sixth win in seven games, and Luton Town recorded only their second success of the season, winning 3-2 away to Peterborough United.

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WEEKEND FOOTBALL RESULTS AND TABLES

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FORECAST: Dividends will be moderate with 11 score-draws and five no-score draws. Telephone claims required for 24 points

Australians mine a rich vein of talent



Saturday afternoon, World Cup fever gripped the Metropolitan Line. This train stops at Wembley Uxbridge," blared the tannoy at King's Cross. "Stand clear of the doors, please. And I

This is the first time I have heard an announcement on the Underground that has been met with hearty cheers rather than jeers. But it would have been just as appropriate if the nasal voice ad added its customary warning: "Mind the gap". For the rugby league gap between Great Britain and

unfair advantage. They were bigger and heavier than us. We were giving away about two stones per man. They looked healthier, with rugnd suntans. And that was just the spectators. They wore the same green and yellow colours as their team, except it was sprayed on their faces

Andy Martin journeyed to Wembley in British Coal generosity. "Our coal is good coal," he said.

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of the Australia rugby league supporter

expressionism was not in the least abstract. They were louder than us, too, and not just in their clothes, as demonstrated in a rousing chorus of "Waltzing Meninga". "Where's your voices then, ya Pommie poofters?" bellowed the pair of lungs next to me. "We let our rugby do the talking" retaliated a re-

strained Englishman. "What's that, mate? I can't hear ya!" The Aussies, in the stands as on the fields, had the last word.

Chief Superintendent Slessor of the Met was fearful of a pitch invasion by miners protesting at British Coal sponsorship of the Britain team. Too bad it didn't happen. We could have done with a mob of men with picks, used to hacking away at rock, or perhaps a few well-placed sticks of dynamite, to blow a hole through the muscular

hat adorned with corks and bearing the inscription

"G'day, Sport!" was Neil Bailey, from Taunton. He confessed to being a double traitor, since he was not only English but a union man who had played for Bath to boot. "I'm supporting the Austra-lians because I think they're going to win," he said. Pro-phetic, but definitely defi-cient, in the sympathy-forthe underdog mentality.

He was at Wembley thanks to the hospitality of British Coal since, as his company's business development manager, he was in the habit of buying coal from them. Eight of his colleagues had turned down the invitation. "They didn't want to be seen having a good time at the expense of the miners - 30,000 men made redundant, and we get a free key-ring," he said,

But right now Anstralian coal is a good buy. It's low in sulphur." It was in many ways a depressing afternoon. Even their coal was better

Bailey had a theory about the low chb in British rugby. "It's all down to the mine closures. Look at Wales. You don't get game were roundly booed. It

was their fault we lost. "You try stopping him," Bailey said when Steve Renouf made the decisive stone and moving like a train.

You can't, can you?"
Well, we did try. Our man
Shann Edwards kneed him in the teeth but that only riled the Australian and prevoked

lians by about 5-1 but they keep beating us, dammit.

at the Olympics. What is the explanation? "Vegennite." reckoned Sue, a strapping blonde-haired Queenslander who was following the Aus-

"It's our secret weapon. That and XXXX beer." As an afterthought, she added: You ought to eat more meat. Good Australian beef." As her father and her boyfriend both run million-acre cattle

"Maybe it's the wide open spaces and all that fresh air."

That could well be the Maithusian answer: the more many people in too small a country, and we keep running m against brick walls as the Britain team did, while the Australians are used to finding and remaing into empty

was clear, either we send our layers down the mines, if there are any, or alternatively we ship them off to Australia and let them shear sheep in

Britain's cautious tactics punished in final reckoning

By Christopher Irvine

IN THE ten years since Max Krilich's Kangaroos showed British rugby league a new way of playing, a chasm has come down to a fissure.

Australia have always been the role models yet, by following Antipodean fashion so slavishly at Wembley on Saturday, Great Britain sacrificed inventive risk and may have forfeited victory.

For the want of a single, agonising error, 13 minutes from time, a World Cup final was lost. But then, at no point did Britain go flat out to win.

They got the safety first aspect nearly right but a speculative policy of kicking high and chasing hard brought little accumulative atopponents

and suffocated everything, save the occasional half break. On such slender opportunities, of course, Martin Offiah has constructed a legend. After a lonely afternoon lurking on the left wing, a single late

floated pass from Schofield was followed by 73,631 sets of expectant eyes, only as far as Meninga's outstretched fin-Offiah's agony was shared by those around him. who were continually frustrated by Australia's uncanny knack of

committing defenders rapidly and in sufficient numbers to snuff out Britain's every threat. When Bobby Fulton, the Australia coach, talked of the bounce of the ball favouring his team, he knew, too, that the speed and forward steamhammer of Australia at the rucks is the one remaining

between the sides still exists. in spite of the punishing would make defensive drives of the prop forwards -Platt, Ward, and his replace-

AUSTRALIA: T Brasher (Balmain); W Came (Brisbane), S Renout (Brisbane), M Meninga (Conberra, captain), M Hascock (Brisbane); B Father (Permitt), A Langer (Brisbane); G Lizzana (Brisbane), S Walters (Cenberra), M Sargent (Newcaste, sut: J Carbright, Permitt), P Stronen (Belmain, aut: D Gallespie, Wests), B Lindner (Wests), B Clyde (Cenberra, sub: K Wallers, Brisbane).

Referee: D Hale (New Zeptarx).

TEAMS AND SCORESS

heavier pack achieved greater and more rapid yardage from the play-the ball

Britain must develop bigger, bulkier forwards, without sacrificing mobility, in time for Australia's next visit in two years and the World Cup tournament here in 1995.

Whether Malcolm Reilly. the Britain coach, will be around then is in some doubt. The temptation to get back into club coaching, possibly at Castleford next season, may now be overwhelming. He has achieved all he possibly can with this side.

Before a splendidly raucous world record crowd for an international, Meninga, the Australia captain, whose hand-offs to Carne helped dominate the right flank, said his side had "got a monkey off our backs". He was referring area where a crucial difference to losing at Wembley in 1990.

For Schofield, his counterart for Britain, the Australian hoodoo - a decade of progress contrasted by 16 defeats by the world champions in 19 games - is evidence of the need he feels to develop increased upper body strength for a more penetrative style of offence, although little else.

Whereas they would once have crumbled under the intimidating pressure of the Australia forwards, Britain's magnificent scrambling de-fence held good for 67 minutes. The pity was that for a crucial ten minutes in the effort in front of the posts.



A LOVE affair with Wembley

without Edwards.

According to Fulton, the stand-off half's knee in Renoul's face might have been the decisive factor. Compensating for the absence of Edwards while in the sin bin drained Britain appreciably. While Fox kicked with unfailing accuracy, apart from the one dropped ball that

gifted the scrum half the first of his three opening half goals. Brasher, at full back, was supreme under the high ball. He denied Britain their only try-scoring chance by getting between Tait and the ball after Fox had launched a steepling

Britain had led for the entire match but the Australian try was somehow inevitable. If someone like Offiah could not take the game by the scrutt of the neck, such defensive intensity could only be broken by an

Hunte was the culprit on a first tackle on his 25; Langer tackled low and the ball coughed up. On their fifth move, Walters swung play quickly left to brother Kevin. His long, flat pass was met by Renouf, who stepped outside Devereux's lunging challenge. Meninga's touchline con-

SUCCESS

pher Irvine writes). After scoring tries on two previous visits, and having received the attendant hype version completed Australia's before the game on Saturday. fourth successive World Cup Offiah responded to his sense of wounded pride by making

an early exit. He was careful to collect his losers' medal. Twice not compulsory for anyone to came to an abrupt and bitter end for Martin Offiah, who in the past he has been in trouble for not doing so.

Offiah too quick to the exit

was jeered by supporters for his lone retreat from the pitch including being fined after while his team-mates stayed to Wigan's Charity Shield defeat acknowledge the support of a in August "I'm not into hanging about." he said. "Australia world record attendance of 73.631 for an international rugby league match (Christowon the game. I congratulated them and I left the stage to them. They didn't require me

to watch them do a lap of honour." Maurice Lindsay, the Great Britain manager, confirmed

taken against the player. "It is do a lap of honour." Offiah's tireless, if unspec-

not matched in attack. Not a solitary pass came his way on the left wing all afternoon. The nearest I got to the ball was right at the end," Offish said. "It would have been a 60-40 chance but Garry Schofield sent out the pass and then

tacular, work in defence was

Mal Meninga popped up to intercept it. You have days like that yesterday that no action will be today was one of them."

ATHLETICS FRANKFURT MARATHON: Merc 1, S Ditmerm (Gar), 2hr 12min 59sec; 2, K Dobler (Gar), 213:16: 3, M Gruening (Gar), 2:13:43: 4, F Bjords (Mor), 2:15:33, Moment 1, B Mon (Nor), 2:32:36; 2, C Metzner (Gar), 2:33:20: 3, A ven Schuppen (Holl), 2:37:06. SYNOWDONAL MARATHON: Marc 1, J Perker (Tipton), 2hr 36min 41sec; 2, D Jones (Camerthun), 24:139; 3, N Moore (Bameley), 2:42:07, Woment 1, K Deles (Semboro Dist), 3:01:32; 2, Z Lowe (St Alband), 3:04:41; 3, H Peckey Colwyn Bay), 3:22:58 (ATESHEAD: 10km road nase; 1, S Cram

GREAT BRITAIN: J Lydon (Wigan, sub: A Tait, Leads): A Hunte (St Helens), G Connolly (St Helens, sub: J Deversus, Widnes), G Schotseld (Leads, captain), M Offiah (Wigan), S Edwards (Wigan), D Fox (Bradford Northern): K Ward (St Helens, sub: K Sisanrett, Wigan), M Dermott (Wigan), A Platt (Wigan), D Betts (Wigan), P Clarke (Wigan) E Hersley (Leads, sub: R Byres, Widnes).

BASERALL WORLD SERIES: Atlanta Braves 3, Toronto Blue Jays 4 (11 innings; Toronto win 4-2).

BOWLS

MANCHESTER UNITY LIBERTY TROPHY INTER-COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: Berknihire 128, Surrey 103, Buckingharmshire 95, Harroshire 130; Cambridgeshire 112, Suriek 121: Heatfordshire 110, Norfok 135; Incomment 141, Esse 62: Norfok 135; Incomment 143, Esse 124, Kent 116, Cumbria 150, Wandicishire 109, Ordordshire 124, Middlesex 726; Susses 124, Kent 116, Cumbria 150, Wandicishire 107, Nothingharmshire 124, Yorkshire 122; Somerat 123, Decen 110; Wilshire 165, Gloucestershire 115, Leisestershire 121, Durbam 115, Norfournbertand 135, Dethyshire 84; Hestordshire 50, Worgestershire 151, Comwell 129, Dorset 100.

BOXING

GRAVELINES, France: RF feetherweight chemploriship: Nartuel Medina (Max, hold-er) bi Moussa Sangare (Ma), pts. PORTILAND, Maine: WBA lightweight champlonathip: Tony Lopez (US) bi Josey Gamache (US, holder), rso 11th md.

SHEFFIELD SHELD: Brisbane: Western Australia 370 and 184 (D Martyn 112, S Storey 5-55); Queensiand 221 and 288 (M Hayden 63, A Border 33, 7 Ademics 4-56). Western Australia warn for 85 arms

State 422-9 dec (L. Williamon 115, H. Cronja 88, C. van Zyl 81), Bonder 79-3. Port Elizabeth: Eastern Province 119 and 55-1; Natal 418 (A. Hudeon 100, N. Wingth 88, J. Rihodes 85). Verwoestiburg: Northern Transvasel 1,35 and 151-6; Transvasel 219 (M. Yachad 81, D. Cullinen 61; F. de Villem 4-46).

CYCLING

PALMA DE MALLORCA, Spein: Grand Prix des Nations time trial (57km)* 1, J Shymeel (Bel), 1hr Oliven Obsec: 2, T-Rorringer (Swizz), at 5eer, 3, V Belmov (CIS), at 16sec. Finel World Cup positions: 1, O Ludwig (Ger), 125pts: 2, Forminger, 103; 3, D Cassant (III, 94

TIME TRIALS: Kettsring Armetur CC (10 m/les)* W Moore (Leo RC), 21mm 45sec (event record) Teamt: Roctorgham Forest Wheelers, 1hr 18mm 21sec. Rother Valley CC hilly (Sassax, 24 miles): S Mouse (Clarence Wheelers), 58min 43sec. (Harring Armetur CC), 11 miles): E Adlens and J French (Menchester Wheelers), 11 no. 19 miles): E Adlens and J French (Menchester Wheelers), 11 no. 19 miles): Adlens (Werdsworth and Ossict CC), 2m 34min Obsect Teamt: Kingston Wheelers), 11 Doran (Werdsworth and Ossict CC), 2m 34min Obsect Teamt: Kingston Wheelers 8,29 4.

CYCLO-CRIOSS: Clamencount CC (Shristy Hills, Croydon, 15 miles): G Rother (Condon (15 miles): G Rother (Condon (15 miles): G Rother (Southamption), 15 miles): R Hammond (VC Bad), 1,04-22. Acres Wheelers (Filonoide, 9 miles): Mannen (CC Abergavenny), 193-06. Resen (IC (Lessax), 13 miles): D Barnett (Ace HT), 56min Obsec, Awon and Somerset Police CC (Bristol, 9 miles): M Farner (Floroide, 10 miles): S Poerse (Sovern RC), 52min Obsec, Awon and Somerset Police CC (Bristol, 9 miles): M Farner (Floroide, 10 forting), 12.5 miles): M Farner (Floroide, Cub, Norwich), Irr (Omn Asec, Refulli CC (Redhill Common, 11 miles). S Burn



Bente Moe: winner of

(Membley RC), 52mm 32es: Team: Addiscombe CC. VC Nottingham (Bestwood Country Perk, 13 miles): D Bernett (Ace RT), 45.57. EQUESTRIANISM

STUTTGART: International horse show: German Masters: 1, Henderson Milton (J. Whitsley, GB), clear, 40,5ec; 2, Special Erroy (F Pessoa, Br), clear 41.1; equal 3, Forester (L. McNaught-Mandri, Santz) and Bocktram's Gerius (F Fruhmann, Austra), clear, 43.09.

HELBING: Volvo World Cop event: 1, Firmation Z (F Raymakers, Hot), 0 taufts, 35.59ec; 2, Weycodor (H. Luffer, Gart. 0, 36.52; 3, Weycodor (J. Tun, GB), 0, S6.65; 6, Henderson Fol Arnour (V Writaker, GB), 0, 45.09. Overalt: 1, Luffer, 39pcs, equal 2, 1 Tops (Hot) and G Witterig (Ger), 30 PAU, France: International street-day event: 1, Optimist (A. Nicholson, NZ), 53.0;bis; 2, Orak de la Touche (Y Guerin-Polles, Don), 55.5; 3, Niveralt Loutaire (G Pons, Fr), 55.9. British placings: 14, Germon Carles (S Atleich, 107, 18, Percy Trebyen (K Parker), 119.8, 19, Hightlie Honry (S Carson), 128.9; 23, McRaffas (S Neverson), 142.8

FOOTBALL BORID GAIS LEAGUE OF IRELAND: Premier division: Deny City 3, Dropheda United 1; Sheboume 1, St Patheti's Athetic 1, Bohamans 1, Dundalk 1, Cook Giy 2, Shamook Rovers Q, Drogheda Utol 0, Sheboumo 2; Si Patheti's Ah 1, Bray Wanderson 1; Sigo Rovers 0, Deny City 0; Instantor 0, Lorench 3 Machard D. Lamench S.

DUTCH. LEAGLE: PSV Endhoven S., PC
Grompon O; Go Ahead Engles 4, Foruma.
Stard 2: Cambuur Leanwarden 2, PC Den
Bosch I: Rfic Washifk O, MW Macshorlt
3. Leading positions: 1, PSV Endhoven,
played 9, 180ts 2, PC Twente Enschade, 8,
13. 3. Feyencord Rotterdam, 8, 12.

 S. Feyenoord Rotterdam, 8, 12.
 BELGIAN LEAGUE: FC Liege 1, Cub-Bruges 0; Beseren 3, Boorn 1; Genk 2, Llens 0; Anderlocht 1, Ghert 0; Mechalen 3, Charlens 1; Antwesp 0, Molenbeck 4; Carole Brugge 2, Standard Liege 5, Waregem 5, Elsens 1; Lokeren 2, Lommel 1, Leading positions: 1, Anderlocht, played 11, 13pts; 2, Standard Liege, 11, 19; 3, Calo Brugge, 11, 15. Brugge, 11, 15.
SWISS LEAGUE: Neuchael Rame, 3.
Chasse 1: Servette 3. Grasshopper 0.
Aerau 3. St Gatien 2. Lausarine 0. Young
Boya 0; FC Zurich 2, Butle 0; Lugarno 2. Stort
1. Leading positions: 1. Servette, played
16. 23pts: 2. Lausarine, 16, 19: 3. Young
Boys, 16: 18.
PORTUGUESE LEAGUE: Porto 3. Faranse
0. Beteneraes 4. Pacos Fermina 1; Gal
Vicente 1, Bernica 1; Bern Mar 1, Farnaicao
1; Estori 4. Tresense 0. Chasses 1, Espirino
1; Gurneraes 1, Broga 0.
WORLD CUP: Chatitions: Europea group
one: Meta 0. Estona 0 (in Valetta) African
group Dr. South Africa 1; Congo 8 (in
Johannesburg)
WORLEN'S FA: Arsanal 9. Wimbledon 2; Johannesburg) WOMEN'S FA: Arsenal 9, Wimbledon 2; Workers - Per Ansaria V, entitisted on Bronte 1. Maidstone Tigresses 1: Igenich Town 2, Stanton 1; Milwall Llonesses 0, Red Star Southempton 0 (abendoned hat-firme). Postponed: Knowsley Uld v Doncas-ter Belles.

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ESFA MATCHES: Bittish Gas Trophy:
Bridgewater O, Poole 5 Adidas Trophy:
Ourham 6, North Yorkshire 0 Eagles
Trophy: Dover 2, South East Sussen 1.

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BARCLAYS LEAGUE: Third division: Dog-

caster 2, Hereford 1.

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION:
First division: Norwich Cay 1, Bristol City 1.

GETHAM LEAGUE: DC Watermorted 2,
Searbrucken 1; Dynamo Dresden 1, Nuremberg 2, Hernburger SV 1, Schalbe 04 2.

HPS LOANS LEAGUE: Premier division:
Emiley 5, Leak 5.

LEWSON FOOTBALL LEAGUE: Premier
division: Witodham 3, Fekenham Town 1. GOLF

SOULP

SAN ANTONIO, Testes: Trass Open: Leading third-round scores (US unless stated), 197: N Price (Zini, 67, 62, 68 198; S Eldington (Aus), 63, 65, 65; Fl Melticle, 64, 64, 70, 199; J Maggart, 67, 65, 67; B Fabel, 66, 66, 67; D Henramond, 69, 63, 67, C Pawin, 63, 69, 67, 200; D Pooley, 66, 67, 65; N Lancaster, 65, 65, 70

CHISA, Japan: Bridgestone open tourneament: Leading final scores (Japan unless stated): 271; M Kuramoto, 88, 57, 70, 68; T Nishlesses, 68, 66, 67, 71, Kuramoto von play-off, 272; R Gibson (Can), 69, 71, 66, 67; N Casel, 67, 67, 68, 70, 272; S Nacomas, 72, 95, 67, 69, 71, 273; S Nacomas, 72, 95, 67, 69, 274; P Lugue, (US), 69, 69, 69, 69, 60, Other scores: 276; M Calcascorbe (US), 71, 71, 66, 69; P Senton (Aus), 69, 69, 69, 71, 67, 283; N Faldo (GS), 71, 70, 71, 71.

MOCKEY PIZZA EUPRESS NATIONAL LEAGUE:
First division: Saturday: Firstminds 1,
Hounsion 5, Sunday: Bournille 1, Trojens
ft; Cartectury 2, Teddington 3; East
Grinsbed 3, Neston 10; Hevent 3, Welton 1;
Hounsion 5, Sough 0; Si Albans 2, Bromley
1, Soughges 4; Firsbrands 1, Old
Loughzond 4, Cannock 3; Suthibin 3,
Southges 4; Firsbrands 1, Old
Loughzondrans 1, Second division: Selfunday: Indian Gynidenas 3, Lyone 0; Richmond 2, Brooklands 2, Sunday: Berland
Tigers 2, Swann 1, Chelmsford 1, Cambridge Cay 0; Cheltenham 0, Herieston
Magples 1; Doncasses 2, Beeston 0; Esca 1,
Harborne 1, Old Kingssonians 1, Guilford 3,
Wernington 0, Flooding 2;
NORMYCH UNION EAST LEAGUE: Premiser division: Berloop's Stortland 1, Flood
Dersham 6, Wilsbed 10; Lutton 1, Crossyz 2,
Pelicans 2, Blueharts 2, Pelesboough 1 1,
Cambridge Unite 1; West Harts 1, Westight
2,
EDINEY AND WILLIAM 1, Eard III, Indiana

2. ERNST AND YOUNG LEAGUE: Prender chilsion: Bridgmorth 0, Derby 1; Covernly and North Wanneds 1, Letossar Westleigh 4; Hampton in Arden 3, Belper 0; Khalica 1, Ediphason 2, Olton and West Warwick 2, Warusser Norton 1 Wormson Norten 1
PERON SOUTH LEAGUE: Premier Distaton A: Anchorison 2, Worthing 1; Ashfaed 3. Winstedom 1: Blackheath 1, Old Weightlans 0; Eastcote 0, Hampsteed and Westminson 3: Magderhead 1. High Wecombe 0; Old Taunionnans 3, Lloyds Bank 0; Weighodge Hawis 0, Bournerouth 3. Regionalis: Hampshire end Surrey: Carribertoy I. Bannes 3; Goen 1, Osahod 0; Hamble OB 0, Old Walcountens 1: Lensbury 2, Osted 2; Medon 0, Fleet 1; Old Edwardson 0, Esporm 4; Preili 2, Beangstoke 1; Kard and Susrec BICC 2. Brighton 1: Bogono 2; Horsham 1, Graves-and 0, Sevencillor 1; Lewes 2, Greenwich 0, Micland Bank 1, Hame Bay 1; Med-Sustex 2. Eastbourne 1; Old Holcombelans 4, Old Beccehamiens 0; Themes Poly 0, Crowborduch 0, Milddlesex, Berkstine, Buckinghamshine and Coxon: Amerisham 6, Southgate Adel 2; Cely of Colord 3, Sunbusy 1; Hendon 6, Windson 0; Mill Hill 1, Enfield 0; OMT 2, Aylecbury 2.
ERNST AND YOUNG NORTH PREMIER LEAGUE: Finst division: Alderley Edge 0, Durham University 1; Formby 0, Timperley 0; Shelfield 4, Hightown Northern 1; Wakebeld 2, Ben Rhydding 1; York 2, Norton 2.
LACE MAWER NORTH WEST LEAGUE:

Norton 2.

LACE MAWER NORTH WEST LEAGUE-First division: Cheethern Hit 0, Macclee-field 0; Deside Rambless 1, Brambal 2; Glad 1, West Derby 0; Manchester 1, Bebington 1; Northop Half 4, Manchester YMCA 2; Oxfor 3, Winnington Park 2; Prescot 1, 58 Annets 0; Rossandate 0, Chester 4.

Prescot 1, 31 Anners 0; Rossendale 0, Chester 4.

NORTH EAST LEAGUE: First clivision: Stingham 0, Norton 3; Morpeth 0, Durham Unwersty il 1; Redcar 0, Tyramouth 5; Whitehavers 2, Tyrachale 0.

TOUR MATCH: Women: England XI 0, Australian Institute of Sport 1 (et Osidham). CLUB MATCH: Women: England XI 0, Australian Institute of Sport 1 (et Osidham). CLUB MATCHES: Service women: Bedayheath 4, Haopstead 0; Blueharts 9, Esting A 0; Chelmsbord A 1, Racholdge 1; Colwid II, Abhridge 2; Europuth 4, Redchard 0; Reading 4, Dulwich 0; St Albams 2, Harteston Maggles 1; Shaffeld 1, Loughborough L 0; Southpets 1, Old Loughtonans 0; Tropass 1, Wolfey 1; Yata 2, Potensia 9.

SOUTH WALES WOMEN'S LEAGUE: Ownszer 0, Swensee 3; Porthoswi 3, Newport 1.

ICE HOCKEY NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE (NHL)Friday: Buffalo Sabres 5, Sen Jose Steries
4; Montreal Conscients 3. New York
Rengers 3, New York Islamders, Washington Capitals 2: Whrifing Jefts 4, Los
Angeles Kings 2: Beaton Bruins 6, Edmonton Oders 3. Setundary: Pittsburgh Penguins
4, New Jersey Devile 3; New York Islamders
4, Hariton Whisters 2; Tampa Bey Lightning
3, Cuebec Nordiques 2; Los Angeles Kings
5, Minnasotta North Stars 5 (OT): New York
Rengers 3, Ottews Sensions 2 (OT):
Montreal Carnadiens 7, Philadelphia Hyers
6; Toronto Maglia Luets 6, Sen Jose Smits
1; Detroit Red Wings 6, St Louis Blues 1. ICE SKATING

ATLANTA: Sets Americs transferred figure stealing competitions: Final positions: Ment: 1, T Ednedge (US), 2-5pte; 2, S Davis (US), 40, 3, M Matrinat (US), 45, 8, 6 Cousnis (GB), 120. Women: 1, Y Sata (Japan), 25; 2, M Kentigan (US), 3.0; 3, Chen Lu (Chine), 40; 5, C Von Seiter (GB), 90 Pater: 1, M Essora and A Buentov (Pass), 20; 2, R Kosarthova and V Neumov (Puss), 45; los dancing: 1, M Usova and A Zhulin (Pass), 20; 2, S Montotte and P Lavanchy (Fr), 4.0; 3, E Punselian and J Swellow (US), 6.0.

WEYBRIDGE: South of England women's cluber and colleges tournement: Semi-finals: Contains 2, Putney 3; West London 3, St. May's, Twickenheim 1, Plast: West London 6, Putney 2. London 6, Putney 2.

MANCHESTER: North of England women's clubs and colleges tournament:

Finat: Chester 3, Heaton Marsey 0.

READING: West of England women's clubs and colleges tournament: Semi-finats:

Easter University 4, Bristol Linkersity 1.

Barkstire Wanderen 8, Bristol 0, Finat:
Berkstire Wanderen 3, Exeler University 0.

MODERN PENTATHLON LEWISHAM: Sestions Open: Man: 1, P liftichell (Northumbre), 4,816pits (1,010, 890, 940, 932, 1044); 2, D Sweeting (Seetions), 4,705; 3, A Paddon (Army), 4,573, Women: 1, J Retcher (Aree 9 Pory Cab), 5,039 (1,024, 965, 805, 1090, 1165); 2, V Rowe (Seetione), 4,558, 3, C Holmes a Court (Oxford Unif), 4,229, Teams: 1, Oxford Unify, 4,229, Teams: 1, Oxford Unify, 4,2349; 2, Seetions, 13,156; 3, Army, 12,357.

MOTOWCYCLING MANFELD, New Zealand: World auparbike championship: Final round: Heat one: 1, D Polen (U.S), Duceti; 2, A Sight (N.C), Kawaseki 3, R Rothe (Fr), Duceti; 2, Polen: 3, Sight, Final pombons: 1, Polen; 371pts; 2, Polen; 3, Sight, Final pombons: 1, Polen; 371pts; 2, Rothe, 336; 3, R Philips (Aus.), Kawaseki, 289.

ORIENTEERING Instructional Merce Services Justice Instructional Merce Under-20 (10.5km). 1, J. Pearce (Oxford Unity), 58min 58asc. Under-18 6.1km); 1, J. Steverson, (Echnologi), 42.49. Women: Under-20 (7.4km); 1, D. Keeler (Switz), 61.10; 4, A. Bigger (Linkthgow), 54.45. Under-18 (6.5km); 1, L. Bohm (Austria), 44.06; 6, K. Buckley (Derby, 48.00. Ratiger Men (2.5km); 1, Genet Betain (Mercen, Peacos, Metricyre), 11m 54min Osacc. Women (3.4km); 1, Switzerland, 128:54; 2, Greet Betain (Marriero), 1.44.16

RUGBY LEAGUE Stones Bitter Championship Second division

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TOUR MATCHES: Tongs 10, New Zeeland Mooris 33 (m. Nukuralotsi, Spain 34, Argandina 43 (m. Nukuralotsi, Spain 34, Argandina 43 (m. Nukuralotsi, Spain 34, Argandina 43 (m. Nestarn Sarnos 20, South Africa Development MV 19 (m. Apiel).

WIFTU NATIONAL LEAGUSE First division: Lampeter 0, Citton 13; Wasps 28, Headingley 0; Weterloo 12, Electricist 10.

Second division: Bron Manor 80, Rich-mond II 8; Sele 10, Northempton 5. WFRU NATIONAL CUP: Pirat round: Alton 0, Esster 36; Congleton 0, Nova Castriars 23; London Welsh 0, Bleckhestin II 10; Old Lasmingtonians 34, William 0; Steines 34, Lychsti Mirater 0; Waspas II 32, Teddington 0; Watantoo II 5, York 11.

SPEEDWAY CHALLENGE MATCH: Belle Vise 18, Scottish Border Select 8 (abendoned, rain), HOMETHRE LEAGUE: Pirst division: Arene Esser 63, Bredland 37, Cradley Heath 52, Belle Visa 38, INOCKOUT CUP: Pinet: First leg: First division: Bratiford 55, Reading 35, Second division: Peterborough 60, Ryle House 30.

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VOLLEYBALL ROYAL BANK SCOTTISH NATIONAL LEAGUE Men: First division: Glasgow Grago Q. Balanta Cardinals S. Dunder O. St. Ragszol 2. Sets S. Perdand NLIVOC C. Polonia Esting 2. Fleetok Liverpool City 2. Tooting Aquila 3, Newcasile State 2: Wessex C. Linets S. Speedned Faucasor D. Team Mitaumo Malory Lewishern S. Womper First division: Glasgow Powerhouse 3, Pelaley O; Streamfine Hazlehead 3, Edisburgh University 1, Pertiand MUNOC 2, Grangeburn Conches 3; Messex 0, Woolwich Briston 3; Ashcombe Dorking 2, Dynamo London 3; Leade 0, Sale 3; London Units 1 0, Britannia Music Hackney 3, Second division: Glasgow Woodbarn 1, Kyle 3; West Coast 1, Tuffoe Jets 3; Tey Pearts 2, Electric Jets 3; Team Blantyre 2, Hantof Watt Dunders 3.

TEMMIS

Program, 6-4, 6-2.
VIENNA. Men's tournament: Quarter Program of the Cabert 4.5.
5-1, 1-6, 6-3; G Pozzi (t) bt D Princel (C).
6-4, 6-0; P Koda (C) bt A Artomach (Austin), 7-6, 6-4, Semi-finele: Kords til Stemachik, 7-6, 6-7, 6-3; Pozzi bt A Chesnotov (Flues), 6-2, 6-7, 6-4, Finel Kords bt Pozzi, 6-3, 6-2, 5-7, 6-1. Korda bt Pozzi, 6-3, 6-2, 5-7, 6-1.
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TABLE TENNIS SCOTTISH NATIONAL LEAGUE: First division: Crosshouse Sectrics 3, Fallett Greene 7; Metacus O, Stops Greenock 10; Murraylield 8, General Analdent 2.

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OTHER SPORT SPEEDWAY: Homefire League: First of vision: Reading v Ipendoh (7.30).

Roberts apart, it should also

pay to follow Willie Carson

there on Ribbi (3.30) and

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John O'Gaunt Nursery, was

an impressive winner at Not-

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Alhaajib (4.00).

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rein of tale Zoman passes fitness test to take Breeders' Cup chance

RACING CORRESPONDENT

AUL Cole, whose successful aids abroad this season have ented £1,250,000 in prizenoney, yesterday declared coman fit to take on Rodrigo De Triano and the best the Inited States can offer in the 3 million Breeders' Cup Clasic at Gulfstream Park next

The recent winner of the \$750,000 Budweiser Internaional at Laurel, Maryland was watched by his owner, Fand Salman, as he worked over five-and-a-half furiongs at Whatcombe yesterday, demonstrating he had recovred from a bruised foot.

Although European form points to Zoman being a few pounds behind the best, Cole believes the conditions of the . Classic could help to level out the difference, in the same way lbn Bey defied the odds to finish second in the valuable

race two years ago.

"He's a bartler and can go one good speed all the way. Horses don't pick up on the dirt in the way they do on turf. it's a sloggers' race in a way, and that is what he is."

The Cole-Salman partnership will be also represented in Florida by Firm Pledge, third behind Zalonic in the Dewhurst Stakes, who sparkled in his last piece of work on Saturday.

The trainer's confidence in the two-year-old for the Breeders' Cup Juvenile - won last year by Arazi - is infectious. I



Cole: high hopes for juvenile Firm Piedge

anticipate his odds being better in the US than the 8-1 on

offer here. Cole, who has received an invitation for Ruby Tiger to run in the Japan Cup, is favouring the Breeders' Cup Mile for the third of his American-bound runners,

Culture Vulture. With the countdown to racing's world championship gathering pace. Ladbrokes yesterday offered 2-1 on an

JOCKEYS.

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2.00 Easy Does It.

2.30 For Reg. 3.00 Virkon Venture

3.30 Regelsett.

4.30 Jigsaw Boy

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LEADERS ON THE FLAT

ning one of the seven Breeders' Cup races, and 6-1 against one not winning a race.

Lester Piggott, nearing his 57th birthday, is 9-4 against becoming the oldest jockey to win a Breeders' Cup race. The honour currently belongs to Bill Shoemaker. Apart from riding Rodrigo

De Triano in the Classic Piggott is also booked for Mr Brooks in the sprint. The Richard Hannon-trained sprinter remains 6-1, but the odds against Sheikh Albadou repeating his success of last year were slashed following an impressive piece of work on Newmarket's gallops.

Alex Scott's speedy colt is now 9-4 from 3-1 with Ladbrokes and has snatched favouritism from Rubiano, whose best form is over seven furlongs. Britain's banker should start at a longer price in Florida.

Marquetry is now likely to run in the Mile, leaving Jolypha to contest the Classic Khaled Abdulla.

TRAINERS

Florida, Abdulla can dream of untold glory in Europe next

Zalonic, even money favourite for the 2,000 Guineas, and Tenby, favourite for the Derby, have already made the pulse quicken. Armiger's impressive success in the Racing Post Trophy at Doncaster on Saturday provided the publicity-shy prince with his fifth group one juvenile success this

Only Vaguely Noble's winning distance of seven lengths exceeded the six-length margin Armiger enjoyed over his toiling rivals. Having beaten the Fillies' Mile and Royal Lodge Stakes winners so comprehensively, his form is every bit as good as that of Tenby. Ladbrokes were knocked

over after offering 12-1 against Armiger for the Derby. By yesterday the odds were clipped to 10-1. Tenby is 8-1 while Taos is 16-1 and Barathea 20-1.

The ground would appear to be critical to Armiger's future. Henry Cecil would not have run the Rainbow Quest colt if the going had been firm. Indeed, it was 50-50 against him even being declared for the race. Fortunately, the late rain provided perfect going. "You could not really say

how good he is going to be." Cecil reflected yesterday. "He has done just as much as Tenby. He's an improving horse, when you consider he had had only one race and was against experienced horses."

Assessor has 43-1 success

ASSESSOR, ridden by Richard Quinn, recaptured his best form for Richard Hannon when dominating the finish of the Prix Royal-Oak at Longchamp yesterday (Our French Racing Corres-

pondent writes). Relishing the heavy ground, the Lingfield Derby Trial win-ner took command 300 yards out and battled on well to hold Henry Candy's Always Friendly (Alan Munro) by twoand-a-half lengths.

His supporters will have been delighted with the 43-1 dividend he paid on the Parimutuel

Sought Out (Cash Asmussen), who had easily landed the Prix du Cadran in her previous race, was backed down to 5-4 on, but was a well-beaten third. Other British hopefuls, Wit-

ness Box, Aliegan and Balnibarbi, took fifth, sixth and tenth places respectively. The John Gosden-trained Keen Hunter (Steve Cauthen)

was beaten three-quarters of a

length by the two-year-old

Wixon in the Prix du Petit Couvert over five furiongs. Francois Doumen's The Fellow captured the Prix He-ros XII at Auteuil on Saturday, beating Ultra Rochelais by one-and-a-half lengths, and now heads for the Hennessy Gold Cup at Newbury on

November 24. D Michael Roberts was beaten into second place with Right Win and Cloud Of Dust in the two main races at San Siro. Milan, vesterday.

to initiate Roberts double MICHAEL Roberts can take

his tally this season to 204 by landing a double at Leicester today on For Reg and Heav-

Kooyonga is caught out

en-Liegh-Grey. His achievement this year. together with that of his agent Graham Rock, is all the more remarkable because he had been unable to rely for a considerable part of the campaign on Alec Stewart, his No I retainer, with that stable succumbing to a virus.

Now Stewart, whose horses are running well again, appears to have found the right opportunity for For Reg in the Wysall Stakes.

The winner of his only race as a two-year-old at Doncaster at this stage of the season, For Reg began this year by contest-ing the Dee Stakes at Chester. In finishing fifth he was not discredited. Then came the virus and a break of five months before he finished a close fourth in a Sandown handicap, carrying 9st 10lb.

CANADIAN owner Harry

Dobson ran Mining Tycoon

to ensure a true gallop in the

IrE12.000 Tokyo Thorough-

bred race at Leopardstown on

Saturday (Our Irish Racing

But the pace he set, in the

hands of Kevin Manning, not

only proved much too strong

Arrikala, but also resulted in

the defeat of the odds-on

A Japanese television crew

was on hand for what was

Dobson's main hope,

Correspondent writes).

favourite, Kooyonga,

MANDARIN

MICHAEL PHILLIPS

For Reg has ideal conditions

For Reg later finished fourth in another handicap at

A repetition of either of those efforts would see off Desert Zone, South Sea and Galactic Miss as he has a markedly higher rating.

Mark Johnston's successful Middleham yard, ran well enough at Nottingham last Monday when runner-up to Pecrage Prince to suggest that she can go one better in the Thrussington Handicap. While Roberts will be hop-

ing for a big run from Bighayir in the Squirrel Handicap. I just prefer Virkon Venture who is running in to form. Bearing in mind the weather, the ground cannot be

expected to be a lap of honour

for Kooyonga in a race spon-

sored by her owner. Mitsuo

Haga. However, Kooyonga

was struggling from the turn into the straight and was still two-and-a-half lengths adrift

Her trainer, Michael

Kauntze, said yesterday: "This

was not the first time that

Kooyonga has disappointed at

Leopardstown and I am still

optimistic that she will put up

a good show in her final race,

at the line.

the Japan Cup."

his Newbury performance when fourth behind Tik Fa to land the Widmerpool Maiden Heaven-Liegh-Grey, from While Carson will also be

hoping for a good ride in the EBF Fleckney Maiden Fillies' Stakes on Ibitkar, who finished third on the track a formight ago, my source in Newmarket suggests she will be hard pressed to cope with the Henry Cecil-trained newcomer Khubza, the mount of Steve Cauthen.

Today's nap though is Threepence to win the second division of the Levy Board Claiming Stakes on the all-

weather track at Lingfield. The winner of an identical race on the turf at Chester last Tuesday. Threepence will probably be running his last race for trainer Jack Berry because he is due to be sold at Newmarker on Wednesday.

On the Lingfield Equitrack you need to have horses who can lie handy. At Chester, Threepence did just before taking command two furlongs from home and winning by five lengths.

Arctic Appeal, his stable companion who is also due to be sold, has the ability to win the Burnt Oak Handicap.

1.30 Khubza 2.00 Gallery Nots. 230 For Reg. 3.00 Virkon Venture. 3.30 RibM. 4.00 Alhaaiib 4.30 Heaven-Liegh-Grey. RICHARD EVANS: 1.30 Smocking. Our Newmerket Correspondent: 1.30 KHUBZA (nap). 3.00 Virkon Venture, 3.30 Ribhi. The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2,30 FOR REG. 1.30 EBF FLECKNEY MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O fillies: £3,125: 5f 218yd) (14 numers)

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FORM FOCUS

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	(3)	6-2	RUSTAKA 56 (K Abdulla) 8 Hots 8-9	65
T		11-4 David	Legent, 13-2 Albands, 7-1 Smit Albaniau, 6-1 Rustnia, Tentre Island, 10-1 Kab	MB.

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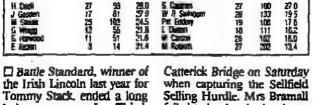
4.30 THRUSSINGTON HANDICAP (\$2,721: 5f 2yd) (17 numers) 1 (10) 389436 GONDO 6 (V.D.F.S) (Mars H. O'Brigo) E Abson 5-9-13 J. Wester (5) 1 (Decree A. R. Decree A. R. D

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3	(15)	150203	MISS YAXETTE 13 (D.F.S) (No. Lid) J Spearing 3-9-12
- 4	(11)	82SD10	JIESAN BOY 13 (D.F.S) (All Eight Club) P Morphy 3-9-11
5	(9)	000050	ABSOLUTION 19 (D.F.C.S) (M Hyman) M Haugiton 8-9-6 S Wynne (7)
6	(a)	845040	IRON KING 4 (C.D.F.G) (T Column) J Spearing 5-9-8 W Carson
7	(7)	030302	HEAVEN-LEGH-GREY 7 (B.D.BF,F,G) IP Dodd) M Jongston 4-9-7 M Roberts
5	(12)	6-4444	SARTIGILA 7 (BF) (E Landia J Payne 3-8-12 L Denori
9	(73)	450002	ROCK DPERA 10 (D,F) (P Davies) M Maughton 4-6-11 \ Fallon
10	(8)	084000	PANGELLITA 13 (F) (C Panacci) J Seletifie 3-8-5 B Rouse
11	(iii)	100026	LINESTONE BOY 7 (V.D.F.S) (Mrs. J. Addleshaw) S Bouring 4-8-4
12	(5)	000605	DOESYOLIDOES 7 (V,D) (\$ 8acs) D Thom 3-7-13 91 (Carmedy (5)
13	(14)	0-000	TAKE IT IN CASH 7 (R Adems) R Digitar 3-7-12
14	(4)	013400	ISLANDIVER 7D (D.F) (C Half) C Half 5-7-10
16	(3)	\$54002	KALAR 7 (V.D) & Stockday D Chapman 3-7-9 S Wood
18	(17)	006400	STURBABUSTER 12 (Green Archer Packey Partnershop) P Feligibe 3-7-7 F Norton (8)
17	0		STOCKTINA 7 (8,0,6) (Nis M Faidules) R Hodges 5-7-7

BETTMS: 11-4 Heampe-Leigh-Groy 7-1 Rock Opnos, 8-1 Econdo, Phymole's Dinner, 18-1 Miss Varietie, 10-1 Ab-solotion, Science Bur. 14-1 Prochelika. 20-1 olibers. 1981: NO CONTESPONDING RALE

FORM FOCUS





Tommy Stack, ended a long Selling Hurdle. Mrs Bramall losing sequence for Thirsk failed to land a single winner trainer Sue Bramall at in the 1991-92 campaign.

LINGFIELD PARK					
ANDARIN	THUNDERER				
.45 African Chimes.	12.45 African Chimes.				
.15 Bardolph,	1.15 Bardolph.				
AS THREEPENCE (nap).	1.45 Threepence.				
.15 Stardust Express.	2.15 The Premier Expres.				
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15 Gold Blade.	3.15 MISSY-S (nap).				
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RICHARD EVANS: 1.15 QUADRANT (nap). 3.45 River Life.

GOING: SOFT (TURF); STANDARD (ALL-WEATHER) DRAW: HIGH NUMBERS BEST UP TO 71 140YD ALL-WEATHER: 5F-1M, LOW TO MIDDLE NUMBERS

12.45 LEVY BOARD CLAIMING STAKES

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1 (13)	105240	AFRICAN CHIMES 4 (CD.F) W O'Gorman 5-9-18 Erama D'Sorman (3)	85			
2 (3)	160060	SUPER SERENADE 6 (CD) (J Maserell) & Balding 3-8-13 T Count	8n			
3 (8)		SINGING GOLD 690 (B,D,F) (Miss W Verney) P Tell 6-8-10 T Wilson (7)				
4 (4)	505000	SYLVAN BREEZE 5 (Mrs R Johnson) P Mischell 4-8-6 A Marro	30			
5 (14)	39060G	RED JACK 7 (B) (Nass L Morrison) J Allehorst 3-8-5	65			
6 (9)	653300	LADY SABO 26 (F) (Croni, Thoroughbres Racking Ltd) & Levis 3-8-4 Paul Eddery	88			
7 110)	952040	BOY MARTTIN 9 (F) (Lahama Litt) M Johnston 3-8-3 Dean McKeown	84			
8 (6)	000/000-	DAL MISS 464 (F Lloyd) R Peacock 5-8-1 J Panning	- 1			
9 (7)	60000/0	LADY \$9600BLE 27 (J Bugden) k Cunningham-Brown 5-8-1 D Bages	-			
10 (2)		LITTLE PARK 28 LJ Monts) C Williams 3-8-0.	77			
17 (11)	00	PCIVLE AMBER 27 (C Wiggins) M Blanshaul 3-8-0 D Hamson (3)	p0			
12 (12)	000/0	CHERRYWOOD LASS 20 (Mrs R Smith) R Cutis 4-7-11	- 1			
13 (5)	2000-00	MUSICAL LYRICS 58 (Mrs B Taylor) Mrs J Rebu 4-7-11 M Adema	62			
14 (1)	35066	DAM CERTAIN 7 (Mrs L Denson) A Denson 3-7-10 Date Sileson	66			
RETAINS 1	BETTING, 11-B African Chimes, 4-1 Boy Marks. 5-1 Super Severate, Salvan Breaze, 13-2 Lady Salva, 14-1 Dam					
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1.	15	ELM	HANDICAP (All-weather: £3,047; 2m) (9 runners)	
1			BARDOLPH 9 (C.F.S) (Six George Maynol) P Cole 5-9-10 T Opins	2.
5	(2)	00150	QUADRANT 10 (B.C) (R Hotlingsworth) B 160: 3-8-8 0 (1980)	98
3	(11)	10	ROW REE 192 (F) (O Zaward) P Hobbs 4-8-7 d Carrol	81
4	(ସ	\$05-605	CRABBY BILL 9J (B) (Federal Trace) Miss B Sanders 5-7-13 D Bloos	86
5	(3)	460405	DESERT FORCE 9 (J Naughton) Miss G kelloway 3-7-11	96
6	(A)	005420	SILKEN WORDS 28 (BF) (Mrs I) Benjamin W Mair 3-7 7 Klim McDomail (7)	91
7	(5)	442303	AIDE MENADIRE 10 (A Lyans) C Booth 3-7-7	90
B	(8)	623006-	RIYADH LIGHTS 335J (B Fry) M Usher 7-7-7	69
9	(9)	00-P0 0 0	RAJANPOUR 10 (D.F.S) (Airs R Smits) R Cutils 7-7-7	~
	2000	Capt. Solier	n Words 7-1, Auto Memoire 7-D. Rryadh Lights 6-8, Rajanpour 6-7	
ETT	NR: 1	5-2 Emrod	iph, 5-2 Guadicard, 100-30 Row Rise, 9-1 Sillicas Words, 11-1 Aide Marriews, 20-1 mile	5
			1991: BELOALE STAR 8-8-9 R Pemisen (14-1) R Aleburd 7 can	

1.45 LEVY BOARD CLAIMING STAKES

(AB	-1465	mer. Di	v (r: £3,106; /t) (13 runners)	
1	(3)	4023	HARCLIFF 25 (BF) (C Lines) D Cospose 3-8-13 J Lowe	75
2	(8)		SALLYS SON 38 (CO,F) (W O'Gorman) W O'Gorman 6-8-10 Emma O'Gorman (3)	
3	(31)	000341	THREEPENCE 6 (D,S) (R Sangster) J Berry 3-8-9	
- 4	(20)		ONE MAGIC MOMENT 33 (S) (R Cyche) C Cyper 4-8-7 D Biggs	
5	(12)	\$05000	COURTING NEWHARKET 34 (C) (G Taylor) bits A lunique 4-8-4 S Windownth	73
- 6	U)		MASTER HYDE 27 (Hyde Sporting Premotional P Milddell 3-8-3 D Holland	
7	(2)			
0	14)	200300	PRISALLE WONDER 71J (Mcz. N Płam) II O'Sallieda 4-8-2 A Tucker (5)	89
9	(5)	000240	LITTLE MIGEI 20 (A Spargo) J White 3-8-1 Bale Grason	60
18	(11)			-
77	n		SREAT HALL 33 (C) (P Cundell) P Condell 3-7-13 & Created	
12	(5)	050 0 00	SMUDGEMUPUM 27 (6) (M Champen) Mcs 8 Sanders 3-7-13 D Harrison (3)	
13	(II3)		NIGELS LADY (D.S.D. Potrinson) M Pipe 3-7-8	-
GE311	BIG 2	-1 Thriston	nov. 7-2 Sally's Sec. 5-1 Harelit. 13-2 Master Hede. But One Manie Morment. 90-1 offi	798

2.15 CHAMPAGNE JACQUART NURSERY HANDICAP (Turt: 2-Y-0: £4.370: 71 140yds) (12 runners)

1	(110)	012300	REEAL AURA 17 (D.P.) (Skytraders Racough G Harvisod 9-7,		
2	(11)	3430	CASHELL 24 (Staith Mohammed) M Stouts 9-4 Paul Edday		
3	(2)	601014	MARIUS 18 (D.BF,G,S) (Mrs L. Simpcort B Hills 8-12		
- 4	[3)	902	BACKSTABBER 20 (Mes: A Mootly) Dr J Staudill 8-11 A Meand		
5	(2)	024000	RAGING TYKINDER 11 (P Sawa) & Leves 8-2		
6	#61	3440	TALIARIE 27 (H Al-Makinom) J Dunlop 7-10		
7	(5)	350041	STARDUST EXPRESS 25 (C) (Mrs. R. Johnson) fil Johnston 7-9 T Williams		
8	\$81	4303	THE PREMER EXPRES 20 (A Davison) C Booth 7-8 J Farming		
9	(7)	600	ICE REBEL 34 (J Hansberry) Miss & Sanders 7-7		
TÚ	(4)	0040	HONOUR AND GEORY 14 (J Orbell) Bob Jones 7-7		
11	(12)	80005	MISS RIBBONS 7 (Mrs C Goognard) Pal Mitchell 7-7		
12	(3)	300030	HOT OFF THE PRESS 20 (V) (Hambleton) it whitings 7-7 Date Gillison		
Long terrificage Henous And Glory 7-3, Mass Rabbans 7-0, Her Dill The Prices 6-7					
BET	TN6: 3	-1 Stardust	Express. 5-1 Maries. 6-1 The Premer Expres, 13-2 Regal Avra, Tagoth, 8-1 Bassesahl		
12-1	Ragein	Thunder.	14-1 Cashell, 25-1 others.		

1991: CALEMAN 2-8-10 M Roberts (3-1 far) # Bass 15 ran

2.45 EBF WILLOW MAIDEN STAKES

	(IUG	C UN	/ E Z-1-	U: £2,700: 71) (74 rumners)	
١	1	(10)		COMMARCHE STAR all Sheekan) D Shaw 9-0, J Carroll	
	2	(6)	155	DIVINE RAIN 7 (D Punto) J Payne 9-0 A Munro	i
	3	(1.3)		FAEZ (H As-Maktourn) W Hern 9-0	
1	4	(3)	U	UAB 13 (H Al-Maltourne A Scott 9-0	
	5	(14)	90	WFANTRY GLEN 37 16 Plato M Usher 9-0	
1	6	(2)	233	MARASTANI 7 (BF) (R Taero) 6 Horwood 9-0	1
١	7	(9)	006 00 0	MOONSTRUCK BARD 18 40 Fastel) S Woods 8-0 W Woods	7
ł		(7)	0	RECORD LOVER 25 (M Coerstern) / Scotlet 9-0	7
ı	9	(8)	5	TEJANO GOLD 20 (T Ligner J Eustace 9-0 M Tehbutt	7
1	10	(5)		UM ALGUNAIN (Stant) Almen Al Maldorn) M Stade 9-0 Paul Eddery	
1	11	(4)	0	HOTSOCKS 11 (Mrs B Mitchell) Pat Muchell 8-9 D Blogs	-
J	12	(0)		KENESHA (R Haustora) S Dow 8-9 T Quitan	
1	13	(11)	0	STEPPE CLOSER 21 (The Queen) Lord Hunbrigdon 8-9	7
1	14	(13)	- 0	UNHHAMBI 154 (Lady Hartson) B Hills 8-9	
ĺ	BETT	NG: 5	4 Maria	ni. 5-1 Um Algorium, 6-1 Paez, Record Lover, 8-1 Umhamin, 14-1 Gab, 16-1 others	
1				1901 FAIR AMERICAN 2-9-0 W Normos (5-4 tav) M Strate 9 cm	
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3.15 FALLING LEAF HANDICAP

(All-	WES	her: £2,	637: 1m 2l) (14 runners)	
1	(1)	100055	BADAWIAH 7 (C) (5 Feetals) 10 O'Sorman 3-9-18 Eming O'Sorman (3)	89
2	(2)	630	FIRST FLING 42 (Mrs J Weighesman) R Charlion 3-9-9	87
3	(3)	202600	SLIGHT RISK 48 (CD) (Mrs & halloway) P helloway 3-9-9 62by Kellouray	93
4	(6)	132030	AWESOME POWER 25 (CD.S) (6 Frame) C Nelson 6-8-8 Paul Eddery	91
5	CIDS	302103	RL VOLADOR 125 (C.F) (1 Sales) R O'Sullivan 5-9-7	96
8			MOON SPIN 42 67 (Mrs W Hern) W Hern 3-9-7	
7	(12)	D-63D24	GOLD BLADE 13 (P Jacobs) N Gosham 3-9-5	Æ
ð	19)	014430	LOCAINGFORARANBOW 29J (F.6) (A Sagretaby) Bob Jones 4-9-3 N Day	93
9			KINGCHIP BOY 13 (V.C.F.E.) (Four Jays Rating Parmerships M. Roan 3-8 1.2 D Buggs	
10			ACCESS VOYAGER 25 (Miss E Williams) & Boss 3-8-11 M Tebbud	
11	(11)	00-0000	CROFTER'S CLINE 53 (B.F.B.) (K Webb) A Basky 8-8-11	97
12	(14)	234530	MISSY-S 23 (C) (Mrs. S Goodman) 6 Präctiged-Gordon 3-8-10 D Harrison (3)	95
13	17)	601,000	TADORA 48 (C.G) (R Lamb) C Berslead 3-6-10	96
14	141	00-0655	NOCATCHIM 13 (A 40-Sauth S Hills 3-5-10 D Hottand	95
BETTI	NG: 5	-1 El Volet	for, 11-2 Amestine Power, 6-1 Moon Spin, 8-1 Mingchip Bay, Missy-S, 10-1 Lookings	ora-

no, 12-1 Access Voyager Clother's Cline. Gold Blade, 14-1 Radgedath. First Filing, 16-1 others 1991, RAPPORTEUR 5-9-8 W Newnes (13-2) C C Elsey 15 cm

3.45 EBF WILLOW MAIDEN STAKES

(LUI	i. rik	III Z-Y-	-O: £2,700: 71) (11 numners)	
,	(\$)	0	BEVANNO 20 (Mrs M Bounny Pai Maschell 9-0	-
2	(1)	43	BEZICIJE 23 (B) (Shalin Mohammed) J Gosden 9-0	71
3	(11)		DANCE TO ORDER 7 (Mrs & Thompson) M Prescott 9-0	-
4	(2)	5	FLY TO THE END 7 (M. A. Madrourn) A Scott 9-0 B Raymond	70
5	(10)		HARLESTONE BROOK (J Duniop) J Duniop 9-0	-
6	(8)		RIVER LIFE (F Salman) P Cole 9-0	-
7	(5)	0	SHILLELAGH BAY 18 (The Pendley Dozen) P Harris 9-0	-
g	(i)	80	APACHEE FLOWER 48 IL Bush) J Roberts 8-9	6
9	63)		AUSTRAL JANE 6 (P Locket) G Harwood 8-9 J Reid	9
10	(4)		JEST ROSE 25 (Mr. J Gring M Uchar 8-9 R Price	-
11	(6)	0	SENSE OF HUMOUR 74 (E Land) J Payre 8-9 M Tebbutt	-
ok TT	12.	. 10 Australia	of these 4.1 Remark 5.1 Days (Se 8.1 Etc To To, East 14.3 Remark to Order Harbert	

1991; DESERVE 2-9-0 S Cauthon (4-5 law) M Stools 9 ran

4.15 BURNT OAK HANDICAP (Turf: £3,420; 6f) (10 numers)

BETTING 3-1 Hant To Figure 7-2 Arctic Appeal, 11-2 Calerran, 13-2 How's ter Father, Ingenuity, 12-1 Sylvan Sabre 14-1 Car Bita, 16-1 Might Accest, 25-1 offices, 1991. ARTURNAN 3-8-11 A Clask (14-1) R Johnson Houghton 17 raw 1991: NO CONTRESPONDING MACE

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Oaks prospect next year fol-lowing her impressive fivelength success in the Radley half miles." David Elsworth Stakes at Newbury on Satur day. He said: "The way she meeting.

for next year. She is a very nice filly, and will stay one-and-alanded a 233-1 double at the

RESULTS FROM SATURDAY'S FIVE MEETINGS

Doncaster

Going: good to soft 1.40 (71) 1. Croft Valley (G Cares, 9-1) 2. Deprecator (11-8 len), 3. Savoyard (12-1) 9 san 1:5, 1:5) R Al-churst Tote, 59 80. 51.90, 51.30, 53.40, DF 55.90 CSF others

220 90 2.10 (Im 2! 60/d) 1, Priendlyperaumaion (K Darley, 25-1); 2, Novi 114-1), 3, Booge Bopper (13-2) Shriey's Time 5-1 by 22 Fan 3-1, and R Hollindhead, Tota, 221 90; 24 60, 14 30, 12 30 DF 193 CSF 2322.94

Tricast* £5,740.49
3.10 (1m 40 1, Tharmestar (t. Paggott, 10-1),
2. Samonov (11-1), 3. Frest Bits (10-1), 4,
Vasabov (33-1) Minique 4-1 fav. 17 nan Hot,
sh hot J Dunloy Tote: £15.90, £3, £2.80,
£2.20, £6, DF £54.70, Thor £300.70 CSF
£113.85 Tricast, £1,044.24
3.45 (1m) 1, Armilger (Pai Editory, 5-4 fav),
2, Ivanita (9-2), 3, 3nd (25-1), 10 min, 51, 4;
if Cecil Tote; £2.40; £1.40, £1,70, £4.60
DF, £7.80 CSF, £7.41.
4,15.15.0 1, Amenifiman (C Astrumeson, 10-1),

DF. £7 60 GSF. £7 41.

4.15 (5) 1, Ameriman (C.Acmusson, 10-1).

2. Fylled Piver (9-1), 3, Surprise Offer (9-2).

Segration 5-2 fav. 10 ram. 141. Bengles: W.

2. M. Haynes Tider £10 60. £2.60, £2.90.

£2 DF £29 50 CSF £27 05.

4.46 77) 1, So So (Alex Greanes, 16-1), 2.

Harpoon Louis (9-1); 3, Doc Coolfi f9-2.

lant: 4, Jerva (S.Cauthen, 14-1) 21 ran. MR.

Fiveolike: Sh. Ind., 15-1 T. Sarron. Tota:

Pleacepot: \$1,206.10. Newbury

1.16 1. Copuette (8-13 lav. Thumderer's nap. Our Nawmarket Correspondent's nap & Privase Hankidapper's cating) 2. Enght Spets (14-1), 3. No Reservations (14-1) 8 car. 2.15 1, Host (14-1), 2, Royal Sealon (14-1) 3, Sutrey Denicer (16-1) Dawashi 9-2 fee 15 ran 15 fath 2.50 1, Riobingo (5-1) 2, Castoret (9-1): 3. Plan Ahead (100-30) Halkopoue 3-1 lav 8

2.20 1, Portaviochio Mode (8-1), 2, Show Faffi (16-1), 3, Benevoleni (8-1) Memizalio Angot 9-2 two 15 rat 3.50 1, Anusha (25-1); 2, Anchomaque (33-1), 3, Transolando (9-1) Dakar Rally 8-15 Isv 8 ran 4 20 1 Chall Helphits (16-1); 2, Helber fav 8 ran 4.20 1. Chili Heights (16-1); 2, Heiber Spring (16-1), 3. Second Chance (10-1); 4, Most Eminent (6-1). Scalang 4-1 fav 18 ran

Huntingdon

1.46 1, Hearts Are Wild (7-2), 2, Newaris Anloyatar (33-1), 3, Lackenstein (9-1), Shale Town 100-30 lav. 16 ran

2.20 1, Jimstro (11-1); 2, Tempol (11-10 toy), 3, Toyal Swon (100-30) 9 fan.

2.50 1, Cadency (6-5 lav), 2, king Wilham (6-1), 3, Monthe's Son (5-2) 5 ran

3.25 1, Emsac-H (6-4 toy) 2, Rengown (9-1)

Ang. Analythowell (13-2), 2, Touch Of Ang. 4.00 1, Notary-hipwell (13-2), 2, Touch Of Winter (14-1), 3, Don't Buck (6-1) Berdesan 13-8 as 11 ran NR Royal Progress Rule 4 apoles, dictud 5p of 0, 4.30 1, West Ender (15-8 law); 2, Over And Above (9-2), 3 Andro Teal (6-1) 6 ran NR: Whate Your Problem Catterick Bridge

2.15 1 Le Temperaire (6-4 lay 2, Ichen) (6-1), 3. Dr. Jehyll (50-1) 12 ran 2.45 1 Secret Castle (14-1) 2 Richmond (3-1 lay 3, Chantyca (16-1) 21 ran 3.15 1 Massler Cornet (16-1), 2 Rever House (8-1), 3 Portona (5-4 lay) 9 ran 3.45 1, Bertle Standard (7-1), 2, Review (7-4 lay); 3, Mowthope (9-2) 16 ran 4.60); 3, Mowthope (9-2) 16 ran 4.20 1, Just Frenkie (8-13 lav), 2, Boston Rover (16-1); 3, Tresadder (12-1), 9 can, 4.55 1 Rose Tableau (5-4 lav), 2, Justice Lea (9-2), 3, Valiani Dash (8-1), 11 ran

Worcester 2.00 1 Pthy (16-1) 2, Safor Blue (12-1), 3. Touching Star (5-2 lav) 10 ran. 2.30 1. Our Slimbndge (100-30 fam, 2. Bross Rose (9-2), 8. Roger's Pai (14-1) 21

Tan.
3.00 1. Barron Bank (5-2, Richard Evens's 189), 2, Forest Sun (2-1 lav), 3, Cogens (9-1) 10 ran NR Winne The Wisch 9.30 1. Goldien Gumer (4-1 lav); 2. Coreleas Kies (16-1); 3, Eastern Magic (10-1), 4, La Reptotte (10-1) 18 ran NR Titus Gold

4.00 f. Cherrytona (3-1), 2, Black Humos (8-1) 3, Bavard Bav (6-1) Picador 5-2 lav 9 ran 4.30 f. Lake Teersen (5-1), 2, Belstone For (3-1 ji-lav), 3, Mr Dermouse (14-1) killula (3ng 3-1 ji-lav 11 ran 5.00 f. Cerdinal Red (8 de Haan, 14-1), 2 Emerald Ruler (8-1), 3, Beyond Our Reach (16-1) Visaga 3-1 lav 25 ran

Blinkered first time LEICESTER: 1 30 Heretical Miss, 2 00 Kipini, Deborah Shellay, 3 00 Western Dynasty, Altermeera, LINGFIELD PARK: 1 15 Quadrant, 1 45 Dikush,



Resurgent France usher way forward England style

South Africa

FROM DAVID HANDS RUGBY CORRESPONDENT IN PARIS

AS MARC Cécillon's France team was writing its own. chapter in the history of the game, by bearing South Africa. for the first time on French soil at the Parc des Princes on Saturday, they also offered a glimpse of the future.

Ironically, given the topsy-turvy relationship between the home unions and France, it appears to have "Made in England stamped on it.

There was much talk, after France had levelled the twomatch series in winning by two goals and five penalty goals to a goal, two penalties and a dropped goal, of the style with which their players are now coming to terms. "It was vigorous, serious without being sad or morose," Robert Paparemborde, the team manager, said.

But the foundation of France's most resounding victory against South Africa was their pack: solid scrum, two genuine lineout jumpers and outstanding support play by

Sound familiar? There is more. Lacroix's goal-kicking, which earned him 19 points, and the tactical kicking from stand-off half of Penaud, a

defeat in Lyons a week earlier. But it was all achieved against a team whose limited

options clearly demonstrated the work that remains. France have another international, against Argentina, before they arrive at Twickenham in January to test both their new style and their new-found discipline against England, while South Africa have only three weeks in which to unearth some gem of originality.

Only another three weeks. too, before Botha retires from international rugby. The South African captain knew how difficult this tour would be and, to his credit, made himself available. But there is little profit in South Africa touring Australia next sum-mer led by a 35-year-old and Botha is likely to confine himself to Italian rugby after

On Saturday they tried desperately to expand their game. knowing they could not rely on France to present them

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moves in the centre, easily contained, before reverting to the kicking of Botha or Reece-Edwards; their forward effort was equally predictable, creaking badly at the scrums, outumped at the lineout and outpaced in the back row.

Only Strauss looked capable of coping with the pace of the modern game and if France had possessed out and out finishers, even he would have been washed away in a flood of points. In Lyons, the French thought they would win easily and did not. In Paris, they knew they had to work harder and they did, Cecilion's consuming tackle on Bartmann in the first minute hinting at what was to come. That Roumat could win a lineout and then appear on the other side of the pitch to score their first try, after a brilliant loop by Cabannes outside his wing,

underlined their approach. Their discipline remained excellent and it must have been a source of satisfaction when they saw Geldenhuys.

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the culprit in a nasty punch-ing incident in Lyons, leave the field wringing an injured hand. It was only when they had the match all but won, at 22-6 midway through the second half, that their grip deserted them. They then gave away more penalties in ten minutes than in the rest of the match and a dropped ball in midfield allowed Olivier to hack on, collect and send Gerber in for a try which put a false reflection on the score-board. The match had been level 6-6 at half-time.

At 22-16, a converted try would have given South Africa the lead in a match they had led only once, when Botha opened the scoring with his first penalty, but France kept their heads and worked for position. Having achieved it. Penaud danced over close to a five-metre scrum and left no way back for South Africa.

South Africa have progressed in France and they will commue to evolve in England," Pierre Berbizier, the French coach, said. "But the match with England will be difficult for them. They have taken a most difficult route back into international rugby by playing the strongest teams in the world. And they have got little margin for error." The French coach refused to predict the result at Twickenham, "But I hope rugby is the winner," he said. smiling. He even sounds like



Tackling task: Lafond, of France, finds his progress halted by Müller and Small, right, at Pare des Princes on Saturda

Australia start to show signs of a long campaign

Australia .

By Peter Bills

THE AUSTRALIANS, bruised and battered by their midweek experience against Munster, were a weary, at times lethargic outlit in Belfast on Saturday. There was a minimum of urgency in Bob Dwyer's team, despite their victory by five goals to a try, a penalty goal and a dropped

A schedule stretching back to May and containing six internationals, against Scotland, New Zealand and South Africa, plus many important as exacted its price.

Hard travelling and training in Ireland has exacerbated the problem; some players are performing on automatic pilot. This was sufficient to overcome Ulster's game challenge, although Dwyer was pleased his men dug deep to repel the home side's frantic start, when they were assisted by the sun and wind.

Australia are world champions but they are sorely missing the authority of Nick Farr-Jones, their former captain. Slattery is a fine half back but his play lacks the calming assurance provided by Farr-Jones, who was the consum-

Dwyer conceded that the scoreline, with a try margin of five to one, hardly reflected the pattern of play. The Austra-lians failed to establish a sufficiently imposing forward base to launch their firstchoice backline. Campese scavenged only on scraps.

The lack of conviction in Australia's game would have seemed unimaginable 12 months ago. Fatigue is the

Gavin's continuing return to form was one consolation.

Courage Clubs Chempionship First division

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the power of his driving off the base of the scrum or from broken play which so im-pressed. The Australians, through their powerful back-row unit and hooker Kearns, were most adept at punching holes in the opposition defence by straight running off the scrum or maul. This element of their game became increasingly effective.

Ulster began with much determination and Robinson, outstanding in all he did, sustained his effort throughout. Others flagged earlier, offering the Australians some easier pickings in the final

Even so, Australia were far from the complete product. Elementary errors underwhich equally applied to Ul-ster, who spoiled some good approach play with careless

The margin was only 6-14 until 15 minutes from the end, when superior fitness and organisation told. Roebuck missed three penalties but

landed all five conversion opportunities. SCORERS: Ulster: Thy: Robinson. Pen-alty goel: Russell. Dropped goel: Mark McCall. Australia: Tries: Gavin (2), Esles, McKenzie, Little. Conventions: Roebuck

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☐ Australia have called for another replacement prop, Andrew Blades, of New South Wales, after Cameron Lillicrap broke his thumb against Ulster. He is the second Australian loose-head prop to drop out of the tour, seven days after Tony Daly, the first

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Oti strikes to keep Wasps on top

By Barry Trowbridge

IT TOOK Wasps 78 minutes to feed the ball to Chris Oti in an orthodox attacking pos-ition at Sudbury on Saturday but, when they did, he responded with the game's only try to consolidate their lead in the Courage Clubs Champ-

With what must have been

ice-cold hands, Oti, who had held his ground as Buzza entered the line, latched on to Clough's pass on the 22 and sped outside the cover into the left-hand corner. On a day more memorable for punches than panache, and with a scoreline dominated by the boots of Pilgrim and Tim Smith, who kicked three pen-

Wasps supporters; many an eye glanced sheepishly skywards at the final whistle. The summer exodus of

senior players from Kingsholm left Gloucester fielding only five of the XV that won the equally ill-tempered corresponding match in April. They belied an indifferent start to the season, however, and looked the more likely victors in the last half-hour. With the elements behind them, Gloucester kept Wasps on the defensive but, having drawn level at 9-9 after 66 minutes with Smith's third penalty. took what proved the wrong option less than a minute later, running the ball from

an identical position. Whether it was a carry-over from that last meeting or simply that too much is now at stake too often for league

to flow, creative ambition was rare, although Colin Harrison's refereeing did nothing to help. His judgment of when the ball was unplayable at rucks and mauls lacked consistency, and perhaps he should have acted earlier to

curb tempers. Talking to cap-

tains, particularly when they are forwards (Ryan and Ian Smith, respectively), has limited effect. Oti at least saved him from the "We was robbed" brigade; or perhaps there was reason to bring the game back for a penalty to Wasps when the ball was in mid-air

between Clough and the un-marked Pilgrim speeding towards the Gloucester 22. With victories over Harlequins and Leicester among their five straight wins to date, and three of the nomidivision to play next, Wasps can justifiably expect to trav-el to Bath on March 13 as at least joint leaders of the league. Defensively, they cannot be faulted.

Buzza may have been slightly wayward with the boot, but his tackling is as sound as anybody's, Pilgrim faltered a couple of times near the end but was already in credit: and a certain England stand-off by the name of Andrew will be back in the frame come the spring. Matt Greenwood and Ryan are growing in stature match by match, too; ask Gloucester.

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lowed "tries". Despite his

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right touchline to take the ball

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another 30 yards before touch-

ing down. Barnes's pass was judged forward. Hall also had an effort

disallowed but he collected

two tries with panache. If he maintains this form, he could

be in the reckoning for the five

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work were outstanding.

Neath are missing their old sparkle

Newbridge.

BY GERALD DAYTES

NEATH are tucked in just behind the three front-runners in the Heineken League this season and, having won six of their eight matches, are seemingly ready to pounce.

In truth, Neath are lacking their old authority and the fearsome application which, a season or two ago, brushed everyone aside. On Saturday, they made heavy weather in beating the luckless Newbridge by a goal, a try and three penalties to two goals.

Neath, who once attracted players from all over Wales, have found the drift in reverse of late. If they look to have found a nest pair at half back in Jones and McCarthy, not even they were guaranteed to find each other on Saturday. They did not link smoothly.

This was symptomatic of the whole team. Where once they could build a full head of steam that few could resist, the ball did not always go to hand. Potentially good moves came to premature halts; a bad pass or a pass given to the wrong man made there vulnerable. This allowed Newbridge back into the game.

Even with the wind at their backs, the visitors spent most of the first half in defence. If at good from in front of the posts, he succeeded with the

When John Davies comple ed a counter attack with a try in which Bird, McCarthy and Liewellyn had been promi-nent, Neath looked to be drawing Newbridge into their web. However, the visitors were set free again.

From a short penalty, Roberts executed a scissors with Fealy for Hibbs to be awarded a try from underneath a heap of bodies. But when Neath started running from right to left and back again, and looked to have scattered Newbridge, Phillips and Bowling messed things up in

Egan backed the loose ball on, regathered and gave Manley the 50-metre run to score. Hayward converted both of these to give Newbridge a half-time lead. Yet Neath's power finally told. Phillips charged over

from a short penalty and Thorburn settled the matter with his third penalty. SCORERS: Neath: Tries: Davie

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Evans mauls Maesteg

IEUAN Evans, the Wales captain, ran his way into the Heineken League record books with six tries in Llanelli's 82-13 victory over Maesteg (a Special Correspondent

It was the third time Evans had scored six tries in a game in his career. He has scored 12 league tries season.Llanelli's 82 points was another league record, eclipsing the 79 they scored at Newport last month, and it

was the fourth time they had

this season. mention in the record books with their 44-20 win at Newport. While it was their eighth successive win in the first division this season, ensuring they remain on top of the table, it was also a record equalling 13th league game without defeat.

topped the half-century mark

Neath raced into a 13 points lead over Newbridge. but eventually had to come from behind to win 21-14.

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Clarke excels as Bath run Orrell ragged pain barrier repeatedly in the team management was in Clarke at No. 8 and Hall on Paris. They missed the efficithe blind-side flank. Clarke,

By Bryan Steles

BATH have a habit of slipping up once in a while but they set standards in English rugby that few can emulate. This comprehensive defeat of Orrell produced an exhibition of running rugby in the second half that made a mockery of the wailing heard about the way new laws are inhibiting

"Just name another team in England who could have turned it on like that." Andy Robinson said after presiding over Bath's five-try brand of exhilarating rugby at the Recreation Ground on Saturday. The Bath captain will have few takers.

Bath slipped to defeat a fortnight earlier against Northampton in the Courage Chubs Championship and Orrell rightly feared they might suffer the backlash. They had to go through the

second half as Bath ran the defence ragged with sweeping moves, involving forwards

Despite having two tries disallowed, Bath won by four goals, one try and two penalty goals to one penalty, posting a clear warning that they are still the top guns.

AS IREIAND prepare to face Australia in Dublin next week-

ency of the Bath and England full back, Webb, who gathered 19 points from a try, two penalties and four conversions and repulsed Orrell's attacks with fine catching and tactical

Perhaps, more importantly, England's selectors missed a splendid performance by

Irish still improving

end, they may be heartened to note that London Irish continue to progress both on and off Their 9-7 victory over Bris-

tol at Sunbury may not have been established by great elan in point scoring. Two dropped goals by Burke, the stand-off half, and a penalty from Coronran gave them their lead until Lloyd's late try converted by Tainton reduced the margin to two points.

Alas their fellow exiles London Scottish have by no means as much sustenance for the critical second half of the season. An 11-18 home defeat to Leicester means Scottish have won just one of their opening five league games, three of which have been at the Athletic Ground.

Harlequins got down to some hard work in beating Saracens 18-3 at Southgate. Thresher, the full back, scored 13 points with a try, two penalties and a conversion.



11 AUSTRALIA Club matches.



SOUTH WEST: Courage Clubs Championship: First division: Bridgen 8, Chaltenham 22, Henley 24, Gordon Lasque 5; Maiderhead 22, Newbury 21; Partyn 19, Rauding 24; Sheborne 13, Sabbury 17; Tercusy 10, St Ives 28 Second division: Aylesbury 8, Berbury 19; Bernstagle 14, Combe Down 6; Old Culvedhaylans 6, Bridgweter 16; Stroud 65, Colond 20; Tauriton 19, Clevedon 2, Windsor 5, Martow 3. Western Courbes: Awornhouff: 32

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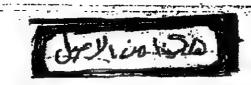














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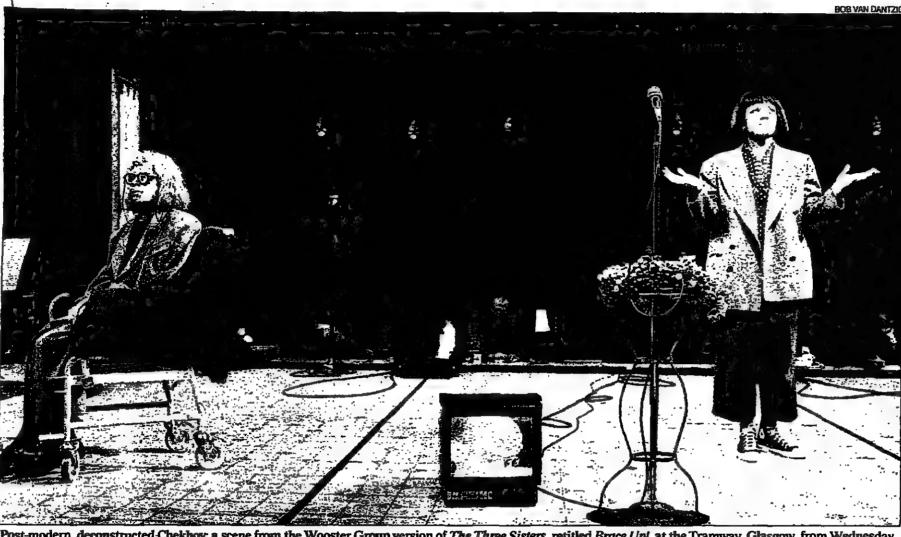
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Chagall: unseen for years, some of his strongest work from the 1920s is on view



Who cares whose line it is?



Post-modern, deconstructed Chekhov: a scene from the Wooster Group version of The Three Sisters, retitled Brace Up!, at the Tramway, Glasgow, from Wednesday

ew York's infamous Wooster Group is back in Britain, though not with the Arthur Miller Crucible "on acid" that we saw on its last visit. This time the troupe has turned its post-modern sights on Chekhov, with a deconstructed version of The Three Sisters, retitled Brace Upi, that may demolish your preconceptions of what Chekhov—even theatre itself—is all about. Glasgow will get it first, at the Transway on Wednesday, London

may have it next summer. In the international world of theatre, no company is regarded vith such extremes of respect and pewilderment, adoration and oathing as the Wooster Group. In heir home town its members are solated, but proudly aloof from the nedia circus that other companies et caught up in. "People in New ork who are making theatre asically don't like us because we're ot what they consider theatre," lys Peyton Smith, who plays Olga. and they don't like it that we don't ay the game. We don't let the edia use us. We almost never do terviews or let people write about And we don't have openings, so

y can't review it." The text of Brace Up! is basically Geknov's, though the translation b Paul Schmidt makes it, as the onparty says, less "Englishified". Tus Masha's "Oh, what a damnabil life! It's intolerable," becomes

"hat a miserable goddam life!"
Il the actors speak into micro-plines. Some of them are "intervided" by a narrator, who also reals the stage directions. Others pla their parts off stage before a vido camera and are seen in closeup in television screens. No one look at anyone else when speak-ing some of the actors read their line from the script, and for most of the time there is no attempt at what you might call an acted

THEATRE: Wooster Group shows are more like television than conventional drama, but Kenneth Rea argues that this

New York performance art company may represent the future

break into strange dances taken, incidentally, from the Cook Islands. Sometimes the narrator's interventions conspire to give the impression that we are seeing the show on a bad night: "The actor who plays Solyony isn't here yet, so we'll skip him." And then in the middle of Act IV, the narrator interrupts the scene with a blunt, That's all for tonight. Thank you for coming." And the show is over. Baffling, yes. But underneath the iconoclasm is 15 years of ensemble development and an aesthetic that not only goes well beyond Brecht, but overturns all received ideas of what constitutes good acting.

The Wooster Group members may behave uncompromisingly; they may seem precious about what they're doing, but they have to be taken seriously. No longer are they a bunch of experimentalists in their twenties. Some are already into middle-age and

have accrued a solid professionalism. The importance of energy on stage, visually and professionalism that they may be architectonically (sic)." laying out the ground for the theatre of the future. Whether you find that repellent or exciting depends on your standpoint.

Our audience tend to be people who go to music and film events and people who watch a lot of TV," says the group's director, Elizabeth LeCompte. Those people have very little trouble with our work. The ones who seem to have the trouble are the people who have spent a lifetime in this idea about theatre as a separate art from TV." It is LeCompte's background in visual arts that sets the radical tone

of the Wooster Group. In fact she avoids the term "theatre" altogether, except when applying to the National Endowment for the Arts. LeCompte is convinced that the theatre, as we know it, is dying and she talks of assembling her material, then editing, cutting and splic-

ing it as if she were making a film. No method acting for her. "I would never talk about a scene in terms of what one character was trying to do to another," she says. "I have done that, but it's usually a last resort. Nor do I talk about the issues of the play. That's for scholars. I tend to see what's happening in terms of space and

'No company is regarded with such extremes of respect and bewilderment, adoration and loathing'

> Chekhov it may be, but Brace Up!, which took three years to develop, gives us a vivid picture of the American psyche more than anything Russian. "The world of the play, once we begin it, is our world," says LeCompte. "It's not a world separate from us."

> This attitude is reflected in the cumulative effect of the Wooster Group's work as a whole. The group denies there is any conscious political overview. "It's about ourselves," insists Peyton Smith. "We are reacting to the culture, but we're not interested in making political

theatre. Yes, The Crucible has all these political ramifications about McCarthyism and all that. But it's also very personal to us as hippies in the Sixties, taking acid. It's just our own investigation of our lives."

For connoisseurs of full-blooded acting, the hardest adjustment is in getting used to the actors' deadpan delivery of the lines. LeCompte's inspiration for this is the delivery of television reporters who can convey emotionally charged information without seeming to comment on it.

"These people must learn to be a kind of cypher," she says. "They have to have a way of letting you know that they care without getting involved. And the better

the cypher, the more dearly the information comes through." Such an approach, where actors are not allowed even to look at

each other, would seem to be intolerably constricting. But those who perform in the Wooster Group are adamant that this is the way to do it. Willem Dafoe, who plays Andrei in Brace Up!, joined the company as a 22year-old. He has been with them for 15 years now, and although he has since made his name as a film star, in The Last Temptation of Christ and Wild at Heart, he is still devoted to the group. "It's much more interesting for me to confront

commitment and curiosity. And in the doing, something happens. "You know how emotional it can be watching a long-distance runner. He's not concerned with

the text than to interpret it." he says.

Basically I just try to be present

and to do my tasks in the score with

showing emotion. He's running a race. But in that very simple structure, there's terrific emotionality and stuff happens."

Even so, this puts the actor in a different position and Dafoe admits that he finds the process both frustrating and exhilarating. "The frustrating thing is that the structure is always changing, so you're always very off-balance and you never know what the purpose of things is, necessarily. So you have to be very connected to the pure doing of things. That's what makes it great. You can surprise yourself when you're put in that position. "

eCompte explains the lack of eye contact as both a way of retraining actors to lis-ten and a reflection of modern life where conversations are habitually undirected and interrupted. The use of microphones gives her a controlled aural field in which the play can envelop the audience if desired. And the television screens on stage? "I love the image," says LeCompte. "It's beau-tiful. It's like a Noh mask. The screens allow me to have a close-up. which you can have in film and you can't have in theatre. And people love close-ups. It's part of our vocabulary. The close-up is the biggest innovation in the arts in a hundred years."

It is hard to imagine such sharpedged theatre coming from London or Brussels or Paris. There is something uniquely New York about the Wooster Group's abundant technology, its awesomely disciplined performers and its sheer self-confidence in what it is doing. As LeCompte puts it "I do think there is a great cultural divide between Europe and America and I happen to think that you guys are gonna have to catch up."

■ The Wooster Group is at the Tran-way, Glasgow (041-227 5511), from Wednesday to Sunday, sponsored by Oranjeboom.

TELEVISION REVIEW

Hitman with all the punchlines

Last night's BBC Screen One film, Trust Me. was a welcome attempt to inject humour into a series not usually notable for its sense of fun

Tony Sarchet has penned scripts for Jasper Carrott. Smith and Jones, Lenny Henry and the puppets on Spitting Image; so he must have seemed just the chap to lighten up Screen One, which has hardly been the most frolicsome of drama series. And for much of last night's play. Trust Me, he hilariously justified the BBC's faith. But the frontier between comedy and farce might be high in the Alps, given the slipping and discriented stumbling it can cause a writer. For all the agility of his humour. Sarchet did not always seem sure whether he was, so to speak, in France or Switzerland, Austria or Italy.

The idea was as inspired as the casting. Alfred Molina, he of the heavy, mournful countenance and quick, sty wit, played Harry Greaves, a barman who supple-mented his wages by hoaxing the

tabloids. We met him in a pub with a credulous journalist, to whom he was confiding the secrets of Everest: obscene graffiti drugs, ice-axe initiation ceremonies, they'll soon have to

mountain down". Then it was off to a publisher with a manuscript of his autobiography.

Memoirs of a Hitman. Here the trouble started for him. as before long it was to do for the play itself. Instead of accepting his book, the publisher gave Harry £20,000 to do away with his wife, in Jill Gascoine's performance a very cool cookie indeed. She reacted with nerveless disdain to Harry's bungling efforts to frighten her; and, next thing, her husband was found in a gorge, victim of the professional hitman she herself had gone out and hired. It was somewhere around this point that I began to wonder if the late Gra-

ham Chapman shouldn't arrive in his officer's uniform, as he so often did in the Python era, and give the play a formal warning for silliness, Suddenly Harry found himself in the company of one self-pro-fessed hitmen (Hywel Bennett, then threatened by another (Roger Lloyd Pack). The impression given was that assassins, far from lurking deep in a shadowy subworld, could be hailed like taxis. Meanwhile, another of Harry's wheezes was causing almost greater chaos. Somehow he had persuaded his businessman brother (Peter Wingfield) that he knew about a top-secret deal with the Ministry of Defence. Project Prometheus: his brother had brought in the firm's security officer (Jack Shepherd): and Harry had riposted by teiling the security man that his brother's marriage was in trouble. But why on earth did that impel Shepherd

to hoof it to Wingfield's house 'The idea and claim to his wife (Carol Starks) he was having a homosexual affair was as with her husband? inspired Even farce needs more logic than as the casting'

With Prometheus turning out to be a self-hearing the battlefield, the play reached a predictably frantic climax. I

laughed and kept laughing, but not as happily as when Sarchet remembered that good comedy derives from nicely observed character, not contrived event. When Molina was passionately spinning fantasies of steering a Portakabin across the Atlantic, or earnestly relaying tall stories at a party ("that's not a mamba, and it's a good thing it's asleep") - well, then the play was unqualified bliss.

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE



Alfred Molina: mournful countenance and quick, sly wit



Eyre's eyes on the Scottish play

THE last Shakespeare production that National Theatre director Richard Eyre directed was his Mosley-era Richard III, with Ian McKellen stealthily roaming the stage in his general's uniform and St George armband. The last Shakespeare performance Alan Howard gave was . . . w:l. nobody seems able to recall, so long has the one-time star of Peter Brook's Midsummer Night's Dream and Terry Hands's Henry V been away from the classical stage.

But next spring Eyre is to take on yet another Shakespearean villain and Howard to tackle one of the classical roles he never essayed in his giory days with the Royal Shakespeare Company. Their joint Macbeth opens at the National in March, with Bob Crowley, designer of that Richard III, providing decor that may or may not include tartan swastikas and triumphalist architecture by Alastair McSpeer.

 AFTER the highfalutin choices of the Booker Prize judges, a very different character of shortlist has been decided by the judges of the Sunday Express Book of the Year, which gives £20,000 to the author of "the most compulsively readable novel of the year. Frank Delaney's The Sins of the Mothers, Robert Harris's Fatherland,

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Josephine Hart's Sin, Hilary Mantel's A Place of Greater Safety.

John Mortimer's Dunster and Joanna Trollope's The Men and the Girls are the books in the running for the award, which is announced on November 25.

Mesmerising choice DENNIS Potter failed to

mesmerise cinema audiences with his last film Secret Friends: approximately 27 people per day pur-chased tickets during a two-week run at a London cinema with seating capacity for 250. Next time could be different, because Potter has chosen as his subject Dr Mesmer himself: the 18th-century Austrian physicist who developed the art of curing patients through hypnosis. Alan Rickman, a suitably mesmerising actor, assumes the central role when the film begins production next March. The director will be Roger Spottiswoode, last encountered struggling with Syl-

 APPLICATIONS in by Saturday, please, if you fancy yourself as successor to David Thacker when he gives up his post as artistic director of the Young Vic to join the Royal Shakespeare Company. After that, expect a series of gradually shrinking shortlists to be drawn up. Will the theatre's board try to find a Thacker clone, a man or woman capable of drawing the likes of Vanessa Redgrave to perform in high-toned revivals of Ibsen? Or will it remember the theatre's name and original ruison d'être, and look for someone who makes a more direct appeal to the south London young? Expect the answer by Christmas.

Last chance ...

POP Will Eat Itself was a band born ahead of its time. One of the first British groups to absorb rap and dance into a rock context, they have been forced to wait in the wings while newer acts such as EMF and Jesus Jones, using similar ideas, have hogged the limelight. Still, their recent album The Looks or the Lifestyle made the Top 20, and their stage show is now better than ever, combining slick vocals with regueish humour. Their tour ends at Exeter University (0392 263528) tomorrow.



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BLOOD WEDDING: For her first opera, a commission from The Women's Playhouse Trust, the composer Nicola Lefenu has worked with libratist Deborah Levy on an adaptation of expresse — x takes place in conducts: Jules Witght directs Jacob Street Studies, Mil Street, London SE1 (Credit eard booking 071 497 9977). Toright, tomorrow, Thurs, Fn, 7.45pm. Fusiner performences to November 7

SWAN LAKE: The Floyal Ballet Panches to now buscon was Tchaikovsky's old famounte, a sign of things to come in a season heavily refeart on the fred and true. Tonight's cast features the paining of Lesley Collier and Bruce Sancom.

and bruce sarsom. Royal Opera House, Covent Gerden, London WC2 (071-240 1086), 7.30pm. LONDON BACH FESTIVAL: The first LONDON BACH FESTIVAL: The first concert in the testwal is given by inarpsichordist Maggie Cole playing the Goldberg Vanstons in a mixed programme. Lunchtime and evening concerts will be lating place at Maryletone Church throughout the week — with a west by the Chamber Tho of Linz-Vienna on Wednesday. The feetival cultimates on Saburday with a performance by the Cambridge University Choir and Stemitz Bach Players at St John's, Smith Square (071-222 1081).

LONDON PHILHARMONIC: The young Austrian conductor Franz Welser Most conducts the new South Bank

MANGELS IN AMERICA: Thriling

performances in Tony Rushine's lascinisting state-of-the-Union drama on Aids, religion, policis, everything, National (Cottesion), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252) Tonight, 7 15pm

Ostrovsky's sharp, affectionate picture of a themself infrate in Russa occu 1880 Lovely performances by, among others, Sylvestra is Toucre and Philip Voss. The PR, Barbscan Cantre, Sik Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight-Thurs. 7 15pm, mat Thurs, 2pm, 150mins

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(071-836 5122) Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats
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Sentimental, American, entertaining. Dominion, Tottenham Court Road, W1

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II THE HOUSE OF BEPSLAFICA ALEA: The agonies of sensual represeron revealed in Kate Mitchell's

tense production of Lorca's last play

Gate, 11 Perntondge Road, W11 (071-229 0706) Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mat Sat, 2.30pm. 120mins.

EL (T RUNS IN THE FAMILY: Larks in

Cooney tarce with lots of laughs.
Playhouse, Northumberland Avenue,
WC2 (071-839 4401), Mon-Fn, 8pm, Sat,
8.30pm, mat Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 5.30pm.

DIKESS OF THE SPIDER WOMAN

NEW RELEASES

Hai Prince's adventurous production of the ruyides & Boo musical, based on Manuel Pug's celebrated novel about fantasists in a prison cell. Chita Rivera makes a striking Spider Woman. Shaffaebury, Shattesbury Avenue, WC2 (071-379 5399) Mon-Sat 8pm, mats Wed, Sat, 3pm, 160mins.

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ARTHETS AND ADMIRESS.

TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to arte and entertakenent compiled by Karl Knight

Bruch's Second Violin Concerto (with Ngung-Wha Chung) and Sibelius's Symphony No 5, Feethval Hall, South Bank, SE1 (071-926 8800), 7.30pm,

WISDOM AND COMPASSION: THE SACRED ART OF TIBET: More than SACRED ART OF TIBET: More than 180 paintings and sculptures in a huge show of Tibeten at dating from the 9th century to the present and financially supported by The Times. An introduction to the Buddhist ideas behind Tibet's complex culture, the exhibition tools into an artistic heritage which has suffered greetly in recent years.

Royal Academiny of Artis, Plocadilly, Lordon W1 (071-439 7436) Dally, 10am-5pm, until Dec 13.

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Symphony Hall, Broad Street (021-212 3333), Spin

BRIGHTON: The Open Air Thesials production of Lady, Be Googl, the first Broadway musical by George and ka. Gershwin, continues its rour following a and Smon Green emplate the lescona thythm of Fred and Adèle Astairs, for Inhama was wronn. Theatre Royal, New Roed, Brighton (1273.28488), Mon-Set, 7,45pm, meta Thurs, 2,30pm, Set, 4pm.

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Museum rotates its drawings on show much as 4 can, still many of its most

inaci as a can, am inacy of as most imponant works rentain largely unseen. This loan exhibition, Plorantible Drawing is the Age of Michelangelo, brings together aome 50 works by Michelangelo, Rapheel and numerous

contemporaries. Saluabury Centre for the Visual Arts, University of East Anglie (0603 56060), Tues-Sun, midday-5pm, until

NOTTINGAMAIL: Providing an ambdole to American grunge, the tuneful indie guiter band Inspirial Campets have bounced back with a new album. The Revenge of the Goldfish

SHEFFIELD: Soot Tracy, Captain Scarlet, Lady Penelope and the Mysterons or Transderbirds F.A.B., the play respeed by Geny Anderson's cult literature sense of the Share. The

Minutes are of the Suite. This production, which celebrates the 25th anniversary of their original series, it touring the country.

Crueble Theatre, Norfolk Street Sheffield (0742 789922). Tonight, tomorrow, Thurs, 8pm, Frl, 5.30pm and 9.30pm. Sat, 7pm and 9.30pm.

WOKING: The English Shakespeere Company goes on four with a new staging of The Tempest, under the direction of ESC founder Michael Bogdenov (His little production of The Tempest in 20 years), lists ectress and singer Others Fourier groung voice for the role of Ariet. A revival of Bogdenov's Macbeth is also in the bouring reportions.

Rock City, 8 Tattot Street (0602 412544), 8pm.

TROUGHE M. MAND: Violania taging of Aleo Châres's longotien black Amencan play. With black stage berner and eleverly delivered message. Triegide, 258 klübum Heigh Road, NWS (271-329 1000), Mon-Bet, 8pm, met Sat, etc. 138cm. 138cm.

THETWO GENTLEMEN OF VERGMIt David Thacker's Winning revival, Thirties style, both comic and romantic, delightfully acted Bandican, Sel Street, EC2 (071-636 8891). Tonight Thurs, 7.15pm, mat Thurs, 2pm. 150mins.

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HERE was an evening to cherish, one to go straight into the memory in firmest indelible ink. The combination of Domingo and Solti in Otello promised gold and delivered every ounce expected. Here was the meeting of two men who individually have been exploring Verdi's opera for a combined period of well over half a century. Together they went to its very heart. Nearing twenty years have passed since Domingo first tackled Otello in Hamburg. On Friday the performance was as resplendent as it has ever been. Domingo watchers will note that he

Otello

Covent Garden

stage: the opening "Esultate" is delivered from a gangplank running straight in from the wings. He has, too, eliminated virtually all melodrama. Only Otello's final crawl across the stage, propelled by his elbows, towards the corpse of Desdemona, comes into that category. And by then Domingo has so mesmerised the audience that the movement is

now makes more use of the front of the

quite natural. Domingo's Otello is a study in the fragility of self-control. At the start Desdemona and the Mediterranean are at his feet; at the close the power of decision returns in a ringing "Naun mi tema". But in the central acts the world falls apart. During "Ora e per sempre" Soiti allows his orchestra a rare shriek of pain as Otello ackowledges that his anguish is entirely mental.

darkest hour for Act III and "Dio! mi potevi scagliar". Domingo uses Otello's only moment of solitude on stage to show a man in the pit of uncontrollable misery as he clutches at the pillars of Tim O'Brien's sombre set. By contrast, Sergei Leiferkus's first lago is a model of cool. There are no melodramatics here either, no obvious

But conductor and tenor save the

villainy, just a lean opportunist in grey leather, who will win every point until the vital last one. Under the guidance of Elijah Moshinsky, back to restage his original production, Leiferkus plays an Iago whose vital asset is plausibility. The baritone began a bit grainily, but once the poison started to work there was plenty to suggest that this will

OPERA: John Higgins at the Royal Opera House; Rodney Milnes in Wexford

Pure gold from the top team

Placido Domingo as Otello: a study in the fragility of self-control, a performance as resplendent as ever

become a regular Leiferkus role. The best Garden lago since Sherrill Milnes

Kiri Te Kanawa, fresh from her recording with Solti, was singing her first Desdemona opposite Domingo. Her Moor's wife is a passive and dependent creature and she could have put more passion - and volume - into the Love Duet. But the centrepiece of the Te Kanawa Desdemona is the Willow Song and this was shaped, with gentle coaxing from Solti, with exquisite soft and wistful tone. A large prompt box at the front of the stage opened its flap from time to time, presumably for her benefit. It would have done better to keep its mouth closed.

There was a carefree, playboy Cassio from Robin Leggate, a complicitous Emilia from Claire Powell and a useful Lodovico from Mark Beesley. The chorus was distinguished and the orchestra, with Solti, in top disciplined form. In the Sixties he used to tear into this score, now he probes it to uncover every emotion.

And at the end all attention turned to Solti, 80 last Wednesday. Birgit Nilsson was on stage to give him a goblet in memory of the last opera he conducted at the Garden as musical directo Tristan. Jeremy Isaacs presented silver rose, in memory of his fin appearance, Der Rosenkavalier i 1959. Hans Hotter delivered a ring t commemorate the Wagner that cam

Solti was then appointed Musi Director Laureate of the Royal Open Not a bad evening's haul. Sir Geor responded in Soltish, his own idiosyr cratic version of English, the one thin that has changed scarcely at all over th

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El THE RISE AND FALL OF LITTLE VOICE: Territe performance by Alson Selection as the reaccus eletion in Jim Cartwright's play about dreams, shyriess and homble mothers Aldwych, Aldwych, WC2 (071-836 6004) Mon-Set, 8pm, met Set, 4pm. 150mes.

SHADES: Patricia Hodge takes over Li STAUDES: Particia Hodge laters over the role of brave widow hoping for remarriage in Sharman Macdonald's bate-sweet drama. Touching moments but delivers less than it promises. Althory St Mertin's Lane, WC2 (071-857 1115), Mon-Sat, épm, mets Thurs, Jpm, Set, 4pm. 120mins. SOI DEGREES OF SEPARATIONS

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CINEMA GUIDE Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol +) on release across the country

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Wham! Bam! Thank you Mascagni



Snarling and thundering: Georgi Seleznev as the Ogre

THIS year's Wexford Festival opened with a bang - and a decidedly loud one - on Thursday with Mascagni's Il piccolo Marat, which turned out to be one of this institutional operatic graverobber's most riveting exhumations for many a year.

Even today it is impossible to write about Mascagni in Italy without negotiating a minefield of political correctness. He had the misfortune to die during the second world war. unlike many of his contemporaries he was thus given no opportunity to be de-fascistified, and ever since he has been branded a Mussolini sympathiser and therefore Not Quite Nice.

This has seriously hindered re-evaluation of the many operas he composed after Cavalleria rusticana. (1890): they remain virtually unperformed save in his home town of Livorno, which obstinately holds a torch for him. L'amico Fritz (1891) retains a toehold on the repertory; Guglielmo Ratcliff, much of it written before Cavalleria, has its place in history if only because the tenor role is one of the most strenuous ever written (one reason for its remaining on the shelf): Iris (1898), famous for the heroine's death in a sewer, has been recorded and is pretentious rubbish.

For Il piccolo Marat (Rome, 1921), Mascagni forsook the putrid, highly scented symbolism of Iris and returned to what he did best, wham-bam

verismo. The action is set against one

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luscious, inventive orchestration. Or Il piccolo Marat this form Mascagni is an infinitely Theatre Royal, Wexford more interesting composer than such contemporaries as Alfano and Montemezzi, and Il piccolo Marat is: of the more regrettable episodes of the far, far better French Revolution open

French Revolution, the Noyades de than Andrea Chénier. It deserves to b Nantes, when aristos and counterrevolutionaries were loaded on to boats which were then scuttled on the Loire. The "little Marat" of the title is in fact Prince Charles de Fleury, who adopts this disguise to rescue his mother from a watery grave. His antagonist is L'orco, the "Ogre", President of the Committee, and love interest — apart from much mamma-love — is supplied by the ogre's niece Mariella. Spice is added by a "good" revolutionary, who is lynched for his pains.

There is a great deal of plot in Giovacchino Forzano's scenario, shared between a dozen characters, which is the main problem with the work. Since the action is dispatched in under two hours' music, Mascagni leaves himself little time for lyrical expansion, for the Big Tunes we are all waiting for. But there is at least one good, substantial duet in each of the first two acts, and the short third contains enough torture and sudden death to satisfy even the most voracious verismo-fancier. The opera ends with a sea-symphony of escape that beats
Korngold at his own game.
The action moves briskly, and the
words are always audible through the

Booth did honourably in the title re, which needs a Martinelli or a lel Monaco: his fellow countrywomn Karen Notare was the spiried Mariella. As the Carpenter who lesigns the boats and suffers agonie of remorse, another American, Richrd Zeller, stood out for his warm, ellfocused baritone and shapely phraing

done at La Scala, regularly.

Any detectable inclination on m

part to over-praise the piece may be pu

down to the superb quality of th

performance. Stephen Medcalf, th

producer, resisted all temptations

update the action to Nazi Germany r

present-day Bosnia, took it at fac

value, and made it work. Bravl

Charles Edwards's atmospheric decr was beautifully lit by Michael Calf.

The casting was characteristicay resourceful: the Georgian bass Geogi

Seleznev thundered and snarled as te

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- a singer to watch. There could have been no rore persuasive an advocate for Masegni in the pit than Albert Rosen, and the chorus sang their socks off. In sort, Wexford at its best, than which thre is

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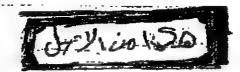
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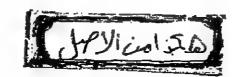
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> NEW YORK GALLERIES: Marc Chagall and the avant-garde adventure of Russia in the 1920s, celebrated in two Guggenheim shows. Review by John Russell Taylor

here is seldom anything in New York between triumph and disaster. The opening of the new, expanded Guggenheim Museum had to be one or the other. After endless prognosti-cations of doom, and bitter complaints that the new wings had not stuck exactly to Frank Lloyd Wright's original scheme (though near emough in all conscience), it was predictable that New Yorkers, with their innate sense of drama, would pluck triumph out of disaster.

So it proved. Whatever reservations might be expressed, the new Guggenheim was undoubtedly the place to be seen, and maybe to see. The first exhibition, a safe assemblage of "masterpieces from the Guggenheim Collection", was packed to suffocation.

But the question in New York is always "What do you do for an encore?" The Guggenheim chose The Great Utopia: The Russian and Soviet Avant-Garde 1915-1932: a far more daring, innovative and scholarly show. But by the time this opened. the Museum of Modern Art was already previewing its trump card, the gigantic and altogether stagger-ing Matisse retrospective. Inevitably it has overshadowed the Guggen-heim's Russians. The novelty had

Also, the Russian show is undoubtedly harder to take. It is ironic that Constructivist abstraction — the greatest 20th century attempt to make art for the people and involve people in art — proved, at the time, difficult for the mass of Russians to fathers. fathom. Even now, since the work on show consists largely of severe and geometric abstractions, it is not well placed to compete at the box office with the lush colours and sensuous subject matter of Matisse, who seems to have worked in an unself-consciously elitic new and not given a consciously elitist way and not given a fig for what the public thought.

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All the same, "The Great Utopia" is a treasure trove for those willing to work at it. In many respects it is the story of a splendid failure. The first

artists were admirably unpatronising: they did not play down to their audiences, but assumed that, given the best, the masses would come to appreciate it. Exactly what happened has been obscured by the Soviet decrees, starting in the late 1920s, which banished this kind of art in favour of the official kitsch of Soviet Socialist Realism. That unfortunately conferred on "Modern Art" a kind of martyrdom: it became treacherous to enquire whether it had actually been working before it was officially

denounced. The answer seems to be that overwhelmingly it had not. Even some leaders of the new movement appear to have recognised this. The appear to have recognised this. The show ends with a conditional return to representation, all of their own accord, by such formerly distinguished abstractionists as Malevich, and a sort of homegrown "Recall To Order" among such painters of the younger generation as Deineka and Pimenov, with their elegant, distinctly modern but clearly figurative pictures of urban life, sporting endeavour and the like. Their art was, unlike the rest, genuinely popular. unlike the rest, genuinely popular. But so were god-like depictions of Stalin - for a while.

It is right that the work of such major revolutionaries as Rodchenko, Tailin, Exter and others is often seen at its best away from the central issue of whether fine art is relevant in a workers' state. When they design sets and costumes for the theatre, or fabrics, or tableware, the effect is absolutely convincing. With the canvases, the quasi-functional sculp-tures, the mad architectural fantasies, it is hard to be too sure. For the Russians, fine art germinely was a paradox. The artists who coped best are those like Malevich, Kliun and, later, Kandinsky during his brief return to Russia. They followed a quite different line of mystical abstraction, or, as Malevich maintained, were not abstract at all because they offered perfectly realistic depictions of soul-states.

All the documentation is there, as one makes one's way up Wright's Russians uptown.



Detail from Chagall's Introduction to the Jewish Theatre, now on show at the Guggenheim in SoHo

grand spiral (now with off-shoots) for precise intellectual comprehension how art developed in 1920s Russia. This may put people off. But if it does, they do not know what they are missing in sheer sensuous enjoyment of form and colour, in madcap

The main show is admirably complemented downtown at the SoHo Guggenheim — another new invention, comparable with the limbs of the Tate, which opened in late summer with another show about the Guggenheim Collection. Now, with Marc Chagall and the Jewish Theatre, it offers an annexe to the

This resurrects Chagall's long bur-ied murals for the State Jewish Chamber Theatre (1920) and a selection of his costume designs for plays in its repertory. The ensemble provides another reminder of what a formidable artist Chagall was in his early. Russian days, and how dramatically he fell off later into selfimitation and sometimes uninten-

tional self-parody. Elsewhere in town, the National Academy of Design has a thrilling exploration of the distinctive Finnish modernist Helene Schjerfbeck (1862-1946). She is distinctly a Schjerfbeck: Finland's modernist renorthern painter, with a sense that

surrounding darkness or the perpetual twilight of a Finnish white night. She is also one of the world's finest unsung self-portraitists. From the vulnerable, hyper-sensitive first images to the last haunting evocations of the old artist facing death unappalled, she offers a unique human document as well as unmistakably

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Deep division of the Deep South

Blues for Mr Charlie at the Manchester Royal Exchange affirms James Baldwin's theatrical genius, writes Martin Hoyle

arms Baldwin's play originally ran for five hours.
Gregory Hersov's new production whittles the playing time down to three and a half, including two intervals. and strikes a striding, muscular pace that never flags. On this showing Bakdwin is up there with the best of American theatre. He has Arthur Miller's intellectual remorselessness without the danger-ously calculated theatricality, Tennessee Williams's emotional tug without the baroque sprawi. This is a major produc-

tion of a major work. The stark opening image shows a corpse centre-stage. A man unceremoniously and with some distaste heaves it onto his shoulders and drags it off. The dead man is black, the living white. It is 1964 in the

Deep South and the townspeople are puz-zied by the growing discontent of the coloured population, which they put down to communists or agitators from the north.

The dead man was murdered. There is no mystery about the iden-tity of his killer, surprise at his reluctant arrest, and complacency at his acquittal. The affair focuses on old assumptions and strained loyalties in a group that includes the slightly seedy newspaper editor with battered radical ideals and an incongruous stance as St George looking for dragons. "Dragons aren't hard

to find," says a black character contemptuously. His best buddie, improba-

bly, is the poor white storekeeper, one black death already to his credit, chief suspect in the new killing. A betrayal of conscience in the climactic trial scene, complete monologues in frozen time. leads to a showdown and a description of the murder. The writing is not perfect.

cal speeches sounds dated (chief sufferer is Wyllie Longmore as the victim's preacher father) and the self despising failed idealist steers perilously close to cliche. But an underlying anger drives the play on, and an awareness of how threatening each side must seem to the other saves

the work from stereotyping. Above all, there are some performances as swift, terrible and inexorable as the harvest where the grapes of wrath are stored. Paterson Joseph is the murder victim, the local boy who returns from the north with its fatal desegregation, a cool-talking hip dude whose cockiness is a death warrant. The vividly confident performance eschews easy sympathy and presents insufferable sexual arrogance as well as hope,



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humour and bitterness. David Schofield gives of his considerable best as the redneck who has black friends but kills to avenge an insult. Nicholas Le Prevost is touching as the radical crusader in search of his soul. Among the smaller roles Nicholas Monu. with flashbacks and inner a black witness in the trial. etches his lines with incisive disdain: and the Manchester Community Gospel Choir provide music off and finally.

DANCE: John Percival on Swan Lake, which opened the new Royal Ballet season

hen Anthony Do-well's production of Swan Lake was new in 1987, a student from the Royal Ballet school stood on stage nightly as one of the Princess's attendants, devouring the action with hereyes. So intent was she that this spectator's attention was often drawn to her. A few months later she herself danced the "Black Swan" showpiece from the ballet for her graduation. On Thursday she opened the Royal Ballet at Covent Garden

season dancing Odette-Odile. Darcey Bussell is at an intermediate stage in her development: beyond teenage instinct, but still building stage craft. Some parts of this role she does beautifully. But she sometimes lets us see the strain behind her control; pushing not the namby-pamby one

Still a cygnet among the swans

for high leg extensions occasionally prejudices her balance; and in Act II she has partnering; strong, sincere actdeveloped the look of the dances more than their

Her new partner, Zoltan Solymosi, is just the man to help her extend her command. He knows that the best thing to do with his conventional old role is to play it absolutely straight, as whole heartedly as possible. Strong. smooth, manly dancing (Siegfried has his proper solo again,

ing. His looks are a bonus. We are told that Yolanda Sonnabend's imaginative settings look fine on the much larger stages in New York and Washington where the company played last year. Too bad that nobody warned her they would cramp the action intolerably at Covent Garden. The first half looks fussy, the second half murky. Better guidance at the planning stage could have prevented that. sions this time out: the most significant are new headdresses for the swans. Ashton's neapolitan dance

has been added to Act III, conflicting somewhat with the generally dark mood, but welcome for its own sake. The production is as before: admirable in reproducing so much of Ivanov's and Petipa's inspired 1895 choreography; tiresome in some of its amendments and in adding a lot of drunken hooliganism.

Barry Wordsworth and the opera house orchestra played Tchaikovsky's music splendidly. There was excellent dancing from the corps, with Tracy Brown and Dana Fouras as soloists in Act IV, and a full house to welcome the com-

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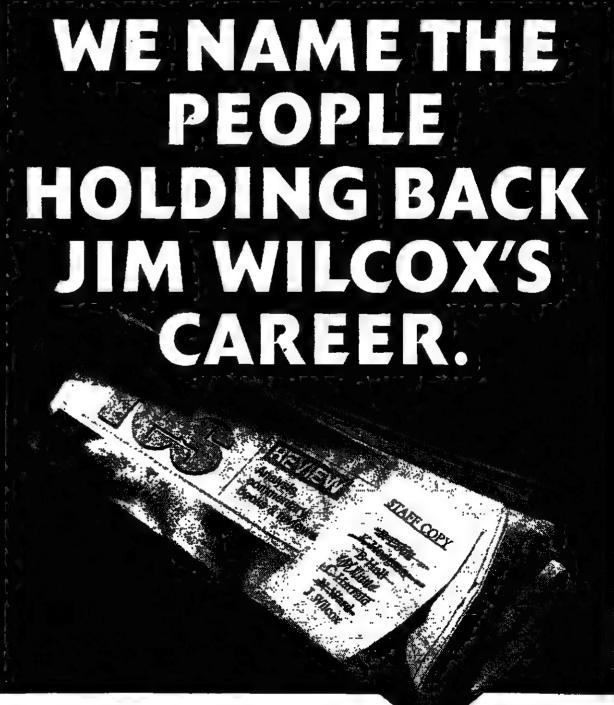
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VIEWPOINT: ELIZABETH PARHAM

Why Classics

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world's most famous contemporary Classicists. Morse is also likely to be one

of the last. In future, chief

inspectors who can pick up

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This summer, Classics examiners received their lists

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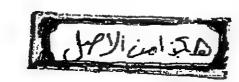
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Management schools are adapting to changes in their own market, John O'Leary reports

Business goes back to school

his week will see far-reaching changes in the already volatile world of management education. in bureaucratic terms, they will mean the creation of a single association of business schools and a powerful institute of management; but the long term impact may run much deeper.

More than a million un-qualified managers are about o have their authority challenged as the profession adopts a new culture, attaching unprecedented importance to education. The switch should be good news for business schools, many of which are struggling to maintain recruitment in the hitherto lucrative MBA market. ... Business and management

courses have been the prime growth area of the new universities in particular. Although undergraduate, and, subdegree courses continue to thrive, some of the MBA courses which have mushroomed in the past five years are in trouble. The number of programmes has almost doubled in that time, making British by far the largest provides in by far the largest provider in Europe, with more than 5,000

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graduates this year.

As in the United States. where the qualification originated, growth was fuelled by a belief among many ambinious young graduates that an MBA. was becoming a prerequisite for promotion. Now, however, growth has been halted by a combination of the recession and a suspicion that some courses are not worth their high pricetags. The business schools are coy about current recruitment, but numbers. may be down by as much as a.

Even healthy schools, such as Luton College's Putteridge Bury management centre.

have found students reluctant to commit themselves to an MBA course Almost half of the 45 applicants withdrew in the formight before the course was due to start, many alarmed by the events of "Black Wednesday".

Less firmly established courses may face difficulty even when the recession ends because of doubts about quality and the probability that demand will become more discriminating. This week's changes are not intended to offer an easy way out to such schools, but they may encourage others to concentrate on their strengths, in the pro-cess delivering a better ser-vice to British industry and

agement succeeds in changing the culture of its profession, the main demand will be for certificate and diploma courses, and for tailored programmes to satisfy firms' or even indiparticular

Managers will need the equivalent of a degree to qualify for membership, but practical experience will be taken into account. Current members of the two partners in the venture, the British Institute of Management (BIM) and the Institution of Industrial Managers (IIM), will be spared, but others will have to submit a portfolio of work for assessment if they wish to avoid examinations. Professor Peter Wilson, the

IM chairman and head of Putteridge Bury, says: "Our emphasis will be on vocational rather than academic skills. . We want people who are capable of doing, not just understanding, so there will be a certain level of experience needed for admission.

any business schools may be struggling to fill their MBA If the new institute of Manprogrammes, but the Cranfield School of Management, in Bedfordshire (above), offers proof that managers are prepared to pay large sums and interrupt a career to join a top-rated course.

Cranfield has introduced a £25 application fee in order to minimise the strain on the admissions process. Even so, this year there were 600 applications for a possible 200 places, of which only 166 were accepted.

Joseph Nellis, the director of the school's MBA programme, says: "Re-stricting the intake has made a hole in my budget, but'l recognise that quality has to be the main consideration. Our alumni keep a very close eye on us because they

have a stake in the school's reputation." With fees set at almost £10,000 a year for British students, and £14,500 those outside the EC, the cost of that stake is considerable. This year's students have an average of seven years' experience in business or industry, so most have given up well-paid jobs. Growing numbers also want to invest redundancy payments in an MBA.

A group of new students, mostly in their thirties, were attracted by the prospect of a high-intensity, one-year course that would broaden career options, rather than pay off immediately in salary terms. More than 60 per cent of their counterparts last year found jobs before the end of the course. Others chose to set up their own businesses, or delayed in the hope that the recession

director. says: "Business schools are often accused of creating the myth that an MBA opens doors automatically. We do not do that here, but we do believe that employers are going to become more and more interested in where an MBA comes from.

Cranfield has been oversubscribed since 1975, and has reached the point where it compares itself with the leading business schools more than most others in Britain. Only the London Business School, where the MBA takes two years. and Warwick University, which recently went over to a one-year course, are regarded as serious competitors.

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Professor Leo Murray, the school's

the state sec tor. A bleak future faces the discipline of Classics, for its value is usually recognised only by people who have studied it. As this number falls, so its perceived Morse: upholding a importance

decline. Yet a couple of thousand teenagers who have studied Latin, and a few hundred who have studied Greek, have impressed and delighted their examiners with perceptive comments and individual, often witty analyses of works they have read. The prevailing feeling is that these 16-year-olds have really enjoyed Latin.

Sniping at Latin teachers. however, is still a favourite sport. What is the point, people say, of being able to put into Latin daft senences? "Why are you carrying tables to the island. O

But imagine a man

and learn the basis of language standing alone by a grave-side in the Middle East, His brother's grave. Tears stream down his face and soak the small gifts he is holding. We know how he felt because his name was Carullus and he told us. He even made his words sound mournful and lugubrious by using loss of long sounds and "m"s. Thus young stu-dents of 1992 are in direct contact with the grief and anguish felt by this man.

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Literature is half of it: pleasant, cultured, aesthetic ago, there was a mixture of state and private schools. schools still enter large a channel to the arts for the

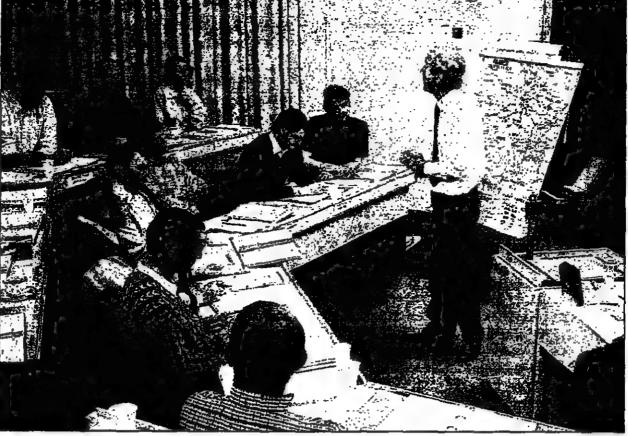
hardly vocational. We Classicists will have to do better than that is we want to justify these lanpeople able to supply the means for us to teach them. The benefit that a course

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ally one of word-consciousness. Having to translate into English a language in which the words are precise and mean what they say makes students aware of the nuances in their own language, such as the difference between bold and brave, or clever and cunning. Latin students also learn about syntax. In the late 20th century, even the most ardent Classics-basher would agree that any study which aids communication

is worth it. Instead of condemning Latin as élitist, we should applaud it as high-powered then no one would mind it being on the curriculum.



associate membership to those who lack such experience, and there will be an affiliate grade for those who do not qualify for full membership but wish to stay in touch with developments. The initial target is 75,000 members, the combined strength of the existing institutes, but the hope is that the new organisation will draw in far more managers

The institute will be the The new structure will offer second in recent months to put

before long.

its faith in education to galvanise a profession and raise its standards. The Royal Institute of British Architects agreed earlier in the year to make regular in-service education a condition of membership. The managers will also give active encouragement to continuing education, but initial qualifications are their first

Neither of the existing managers' institutes is a newcomer

BIM launched the Diploma in Management Studies, now the most popular qualification in the field with 30,000 students, in the 1950s, while the IIM has made the running recently with its Leader series of courses, running in 100 centres across Britain.

Some business schools are already preparing for a new client group. Putteridge Bury, for example, has offered to sponsor students who want to ioin the new institute, and is

luctant to pay for expensive training packages, it makes individuals more conscious of

Welsh pupils find their tongue

The land of song is reclaiming

its language

through its schoolchildren

S chools are saving the Welsh language according to the latest census results. More than a quarter of the principality's children between three and 15 now speak the language, an increase of 6 per cent in a decade.

In parts of anglicised southeast Wales, the number of Welsh-speaking children has doubled since 1981, largely because of the success of bilingual schools, which teach most of the curriculum in Welsh. In Gwent, there are now six Welsh-medium pri-mary schools and one bilingual secondary school, where in 1981 there were none.

Mid-Glamorgan: which has 24 Welsh-speaking primaries and four secondaries has also seen the number of. Welsh-speakers in its schools double. In West Glamorgan. Clwyd and Powys, the process has been aided by the intro-duction of Welsh as a second language in English-medium

In the traditional miral Welsh-speaking heartlands of Gwynedd and Dyfed, the education authorities aim to make every child bilingual by the

Already three quarters of Gwynedd's children between three and 15 are fluent Welsh speakers. Gwilym Hum-phreys, the director of education, says: "We provide intensive language tuition in specialist centres for three months, after which the children can manage on their own in their local school. Our peripatetic teachers provide backup in the classroom, and we are fortunate that every primary teacher in Gwynedd is fully bilingual."

English-speaking parents are also encouraged to learn.
Welsh, with the result that the language is one of the most popular night school subjects in North Wales.

In Dyfed, Welsh has been the usual medium of instituction since 1989. The county earned the wrath of some English-speaking parents. who established the pressure group Education First to campaign for English-medium tution for their children, but the



National pride: Welsh children at Pontybrenin primary in West Glamorgan

director of education, John Ellis, is convinced that the census results vindicate the county's policy.

Most parents support the authority, and we are convinced that we can justify our policy to anyone. Indeed, in a bid to ensure that most of Dyfed's pupils are fully bilingual by the time the next census is held, we have decided that from next September a formal language policy will also oper-ate in our secondary schools." . Mr Ellis is sure that the tide

Welsh parents could hijack governors' meetings and turn a formerly bilingual school into an English-medium one overnight," Mr Humphreys says. "I am not saying that will happen here in Gwynedd because all our primary and secondary head teachers support the county's policy. But, if the white paper does become law, I won't be surprised if the amount of Weish spoken in some schools is significantly

Sir Wyn Roberts. Wales's

English-speaking parents are also encouraged to learn Welsh, with the result that the language is one of the most popular nightschool subjects in North Wales

has finally turned in favour of the Welsh language. But his colleagues in Gwynedd are not so sure. Mr Humphreys fears that the government's white paper could undermine much of the progress made during the past ten years. "If all schools opt out, and so lose the central support of both a county-wide language policy and the in-service training provided by specialist, centrally funded peripatetic teachers, the linguistic ethos could

."If the worst comes to the

worst, a small group of anti-

education minister, believes that this is unlikely because he has made Welsh compulsory in schools for the first time. It is taught as a core part of the national curriculum in Welshspeaking schools and as a foundation subject in the principality's English-medium schools.

However, Bill Raybould, the director of the Welsh Language Education Develop-ment Committee established by the government to promote Weish in schools, shares some of Mr Humphrey's misgiv-

mittee will be suspended within two years. Its school-related duties will be assumed by the Welsh Curriculum Council. Yet, that means we will no longer be able to offer advice on Welsh-medium nursery, further education, higher education, or teacher-training provision," he says. "Bearing in mind that 20 per cent of schools now teach through the medium of Welsh, our potential loss of influence over teacher training is disturbing.

"Our aim must be to ensure that 50 per cent of Wales's three to 15-year-olds become Welsh speakers within the next 20 years. It is a realistic target and one we could

This summer's national curriculum test results, which were announced last week, offer further hope. Those attending Welsh-medium schools did better in the language than their counterparts Iscwhere did in English.

However, the results ob-tained by English speakers in Welsh were disappointing. Little more than a third reached the expected standard. Sir Wyn attributes this poor showing to the fact that Welsh as a second language is a new subject for many of the pupils

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Notice of deportation Breach of duty is not required when address unknown

Singh v Secretary of State for the Home Department Before Lord Templeman, Lord Tullichenie, Lord Browne-Wil-

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[Speeches October 15] Regulation 3(4) of the Immigration Appeals (Notices) Regulations (SI 1984 No 2040), which prodecision to deport need not be given if the secretary of state had no knowledge of the whereabouts or place of abode of the proposed deportee, was not ultra vires sec on 18(1) of the Immigration Act

The House of Lords dismissed an appeal by Mr Pargan Singh from the Second Division of the Inner House of the Court of lession (The Lord Justice-Clerk (Lord Ross), Lord Murray and Lord Maxwell) who on January 18, 1991, had refused a reclaim-ing motion by Mr Singh for review of the interlocutor of the Lord Ordinary, Lord Weir, who on May for judicial review of the secretary

Mr John L. Mitchell. QC and Mr Peter M. Macdonald, both of the Scots Bar, for Mr Singh; Mr R. Reith, both of the Scots Bar, for the secretary of state.

LORD JAUNCEY said that Mr Singh had entered the United Kingdom from India in February 1983 having been granted leave to remain for three months in order to marry. He had remained after the expiry of the three months without applying for an extension and had "gone underground".

On December 20, 1985, the secretary of state had decided to make a deportation order under section 3(5) of the 1971 Act, and notice of his decision had been sent both to Mr Singh's last known address and to his sister's home. The first notice had been returned

On June 13, 1986, a deportation order had been made. In early 1989, Mr Singh had been traced to Glasgow and arrested.

Section 18(1) of the 1971 Act provided: "(1) The secretary of state may by regulations provide — (a) for written notice to be given to a person of any such decision or action taken in respect of him as is appealable under this Part of this

The 1984 Regulations provided: "3(1) Subject to the following provisions of this regulation, writ-ten notice of any decision or action hich is appealable ... shall as soon as practicable be given . . . to the person in respect of whom the decision or action was taken...

"(4) It shall not be necessary for notice to be given in compliance with the provisions of paragraph (1) if the officer or authority required by paragraph (2) to give it has no knowledge of the where-abouts or place of abode of the person so whom it is to be given...

6 Any notice required by regulation 3 to be given to any person may be delivered, or sent by post in a registered letter or by recorded delivery service to - (a) that person's last known or usual place of abode; or (b) an address provided by him for receipt of the

Mr Mitchell had submitted that regulation 3(4) was uitra vires section 18 in as much as that section did not empower the secretary of state to make regulations that dispensed altogether with the service of a notice of a decision and that no notice had been given by the secretary of state address at which the person was known not to be abiding was unreasonable in the Wednesbury sense (Associated Provincial Picture Houses Ltd v Wednesbury Corporation (1948) 1 KB 223)

compliance with regulation 6.

Differing views had been exssed in England as to whether the secretary of state was required section 18 to make regulations or whether he had a discretion: see R v Immigration Appeal Tribunal. Ex parte Ekrem Mehmet ([1977] 1 WLR 795) and R v Secretary of State for the Home Departme Ex parte Makhan Singh [1977]

Imm A R 56, 66 (footnote)]. His Lordship agreed with Lord Justice Bridge in Makhan Singh. In his view Parliament had intended that the secretary of state should be required to make regulations that would ensure, so far as practicable, that persons on whom the rights of appeal had been conferred should be enabled effectively to exercise them.

It followed that the secretary of state did not have a discretion as to whether or not he should make As to what had to be contained

in those regulations, his Lordship agreed with the reasoning of Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, and Lord Justice Bridge in Makhan Singh. Section 18(1) required the

no defence

Tower Hamlets London Borough Council v Abdi Before Lord Justice Glidewell Lord Justice Mann and Lord

Justice Leggati (Judgment September 16)

An allegation of breach by a local-housing authority of its duty to provide, suitable permanent accommodation for a homeless person could not be raised by way of defence or counterclaim to a claim by the authority for possession of temporary accommodation previously provided. The Court of Appeal allowed an

appeal by Tower Hamlers London Borough Council from Judge Medawar, QC, at Edmonto County Court on June 17 who had dismissed its application for Mrs Lul Hassam Abdi's defence and counterclaim to be struck out.

Mr Ashley Underwood and Miss Lisa Giovannetti for the council: Mr Alan Tyrrell, QC and Mr Mark Loveday for Mrs Abdi. LORD JUSTICE MANN said that the council had determined that Mrs Abdi and her family were unintentionally homeless persons and accordingly accepted a statu-tory obligation to provide them with suitable accommodation: sec-

tions 65 and 69 of the Housing Act The council had discharged that duty in the first instance by providing temporary accommoda-tion at Flat B. 366 Green Lanes, Finsbury Park, London, Flat B being private leased accommoda-

tion: paragraph 6 of Schedule I to the 1985 Act. On March 21, 1991, the council had offered Mrs Abdi permanent accommodation at 32 Sleaford House, Lincoln Estate, Bow. She had regarded that accommodation as being unsuitable in that it did not cater for her medical condition. The council had considered her ection to be unreasonable and had informed her that its duty

been performed by the making of On June 20, 1991, it had served notice to quit Flat B. Subsequently, it had brought possession

under Part 3 of the 1985 Act had

By her defence and counter-claim, Mrs Abdi had, inter alia. denied the council's averment that her rejection of the permanent accommodation offered was unreasonable and counterdaimed for a declaration that the council had not discharged its duty to her under the Act. Mr Underwood had submitted

that those allegations were entertainable only in judicial re-view proceedings, for they were not referenced to any private law right

the observations of Lord Donaldson of Lymington, Master of the Rolls, in Avon County Council v Buscott (1988) QB 656. 663), referring to Wandsworth London Borough Council v Winder (1985) AC 461). He said that those observations

[Judgment July 16]

entified to a share purchase order

on the ground of untair prejudice in terms of section 459 of the Companies Act 1985.

The Second Division of the

Session so held, advising that it proposed to allow an appeal by

David and Philip Jesner against the refusal of the sheriff in an

action against Jamed Properties Ltd and Isaac and Louis Jesner to

grant either an order under sec-tions 459 and 461 of the 1985 Act requiring the defenders to pur-chase the pursuers' shares in the company or an order under section 122(1)(g) of the 1986 Act for the

company so be wound up, and continuing the appeal to allow parties to consider their positions.

Mr James Drummond-Young.

THE LORD JUSTICE-CLERK

said that the pursuers's complaints

a standard security in favour of a creditor of Jesner & Sons Ltd.

another company in which all of

the parties were shareholders, and

interest-free loans to Jesner & Sons.

been outwith the terms of the memorandum and articles of

When the directors had been

advised that a special resolution of

the company was necessary to permit the transaction, a special

resolution had been produced

purporting to have been passed by

arrad on October 20, 1980, at an

extraordinary general meeting which gave Jarrad the necessary power. No such meeting of shareholders had ever taken place.

So far as the loans were con-

to Jarrad; thereafter the pament

had been reversed, with Jarrad

The sheriff had recognised that

if the two companies were looked

at separately, prior to 1979 the interests of the shareholders of

Jesner & Sons had been prejudiced

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lending to Jesner & Sons.

The granting of the security had

rs: Mr Gerard Moynihan

QC and Mr Derek Francis for the

were compelling in his favour and that, by analogy, once the contractual arrangement between the council and Mrs Abdi in respect of Flat B had been terminated by notice to quit, there was no private law right to remain in the flat. Mr Tyrrell relied on the speach

of Lord Fraser of Tullybelton in Winder (at p509E). He pointed out that Mrs Abdi had not chosen the forum and raised the asserted m by way of defend It was true that Mrs Abdi had not chosen the forum, but his Lordship found it difficult to

understand how the asserted

breach of duty could be an answer to a claim for possession of Flat B. The discharge of the duty was not pinned to the provision of particu-More fundamentally, an assertion of breach of duty had as its necessary corollary an allegation of infringement of right. If the in-fringed right had no existence in private law but existed solely in public law, the complaint was apt for judicial review and to raise it in

another way was an abuse of the process of the court: Cocks v

Thanet District Council (1983) 2 Mrs Abdi's claim of a right to have suitable accommodation was indistinguishable from that of the laintiff in Ali v Tower Hamlets LBC (The Times April 16; [1992] 3 WLR 208), the observations in which were binding on the court. It followed that the only private law right acquired by Mrs Abdi was one to the accommodation that she had rejected. She had had, and had no other, although she would, of course, have had a sufficient locus to challenge timeously the legality of the council's perfor-

mance of its public law functions.
Accordingly, the arguments
sought to be deployed by Mrs Abdi
would be abusive and the defence and counterclaim should be struck

His Lordship reached that conclusion with no regret. Under the law as it stood, questions of suitability of accommodation were eminently for local authorities, subject to the supervisory jurisdic-tion of the High Court, and not for the ordinary courts. Lord Justice Glidewell and Lord

Justice Leggan agreed. Solicitors, Mr R. A. Joy. Tower Hamlets: Timmis Desai.

Jesner v Jarrad Properties by the making of such loans to inserests of the shareholders of Jarrad had been prejudiced by the making of such loans to Jesner & Before the Lord Justice-Clerk (Lord Ross). Lord Morison and Lord However, the directors who had

been called as defenders had A minority shareholder was entitled to an order that a company be wound up on the ground that it regarded the operations of the two empanies as in effect one business, it had been the family who was just and equitable to do so in terms of section 122(1)(g) of the insolvency Act J986 not-withstanding that he was not had been interested in both

No formal meetings of shareholders had been called and company accounts had not been issued to shareholders. There had been no formality about the running of the com Regard had been had to the fact

that the beneficaries in both companies were shareholders who were members of the family, and inter-company loans had been made as the exigencies of business Neither company had been op-erated in terms of its memoran-

dum and articles of association. The loans by the two companies had been in breach of their memoranda and articles of The pursuers contended that the

object of Jarrad had been to provide money for the family, and its assets should not have been siphoned out to prop up Jesner & Sons. Their interest in Jarrad exceeded interest in Jesner & Sons, and accordingly what had been done plainly prejudiced them. The third complaint was that in

January, 1989, Issac Jesner, a director of Jarrad, had indicated to David Jesser that the capital of Jarrad would be used to pay off the The pursuers submitted that although that had not been done,

it was evidence of an intention to act outwith the interests of the In deciding that there had not been unfairly prejudicial conduct, the sheriff had tooked at the whole

history of dealings between the two From its inception Jarrad had been run by the same directors as Jesner & Sons, and had been run

in good faith, in what the directors perceived to be in the interests of he family as a whole. The sheriff had accepted that the two companies should really be regarded as a single family

cerned, prior to 1979 Jesner & Sons had lent money interest-free In his Lordship's opinion the sheriff hasd been fully justified in considering those matters and reaching that conclusion. His decision on the case based on section However, the sheriff had contin

ued: "For the same reasons which I

order is not appropriate, I take the view that it would not be appro-priate to make an order for the winding up of the company funder ection 122(1)(g)."

The pursuers maintained that it was wrong to treat the issue of winding up as if the basis for such an application was the same as the basis for an application under

section 459. It was not disputed that the three escential elements for quasi-partnership were present, namely a mutual trust. (ii) understanding that some but not all should participate in the management of the company, and (iii) restriction on the transfer of shares.

There had been a loss of munial confidence (see Ebrahimi v Westbourne Galleries Ltd [[1973] AC 360). In Ebrahimi it had been held that it was just an equitable that the company should be wound up since the respondent had nested the company as his own business in such a way as to destroy his fellow shareholder's confidence in the impartialty of

In his Lordship's opinion there were similarines with the present case because Isaac Jasner had used the assets of Jarrad for purposes other than the purposes of the company. It was also clear that the pursuer's concern about those and other matters had led to the destruction of any mutual con-fidence between them and the

An interim interdict regulating the management of the affairs of Jarrad was presently in force. Asked about the protection which he might receive from a perma-nent interdict in the same terms while he remained a shareholder, the first pursuer had said in evidence: "I think we would end up in a situation where everyone would be running back and forward to lawyers taking advice and that would not benefit the company, and I would feel I was oking over my shoulder."

In evidence Isaac Jesner had stated that he would be prepared to accept a permanent interdict, but that was further evidence that mutual confidence had been deroyed because it would be a curious form of mutual confidence which required to be supported by

His Lordship was satisfied that it would be just and equirable for the company to be would up. Lord Mocison and Lord Prosser

delivered concurring judgments. Law agents: Bird Semple, Fyfe Ireland, WS; John G Gray & Co. SSC for Levy & McRae, Glasgow.

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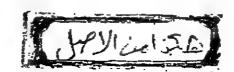
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REPORTING THIS WEEK

Full-year results should show Wellcome in robust health

STRONG drug sales should help Wellcome, the pharmaceuticals group headed by Sir Alistair Frame, chairman, to unveil a healthy 24 per cent jump in full-year profits.

On Wednesday, the company will report its first set of figures since July's move by the Wellcome Trust, the medi-cal charitable foundation, to reduce its stake in Wellcome from 73.5 per cent to 40 per cent, raising nearly £2.2

An outstanding performance from Wellcome's bestselling Zovirax anti-viral drug should help final pre-tax prof-its advance to £500 million, against £403 million last time, according to Andrew Porter at Nikko, the Japanese securities house. Market forecasts range from £500 million to £510

Mr Porter expects earnings of 35.7p a share, against 29.3p last time, and a dividend of 12.5p (10p) for the

Sales of Zovirax, the antiherpes drug, are predicted to grow by at least 23 per cent to about £580 million, with a good performance likely from Japan. Zovirax will benefit from wider use in the treatment of shingles and there will be interest in the impact of the drug's launch in America for the treatment of chicken pox and the possibility that it will

be launched over the counter. The forecast is that Wellcome's Retrovir (AZT). which is used to combat Aids, saw sales increase by about 20 per cent to £212 million. benefiting from wider and earlier use in the treatment of HIV, the Aids virus. Retrovir's growth should continue, despite increasing competition from other Aids drugs.

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Blenheim Group, the trade exhibitions organiser, is exinterim pre-tax profits to £33 million (£28.3 million), according to UBS Phillips & Drew. An increased interim dividend of 2.7p (2.3p) is

Analysts expect Bradford Property Trust, one of Britain's largest residential landlords, to turn in first-half pre-tax profits of £10.6 million, against £11.2 million last

Pressae Holdings, the electrical and electronic components maker, is expected to report a slight dip in final pre-tax profits to about £1.7 mil-lion (£1.82 million), although the dividend should be held at

Interins: Blenheim Group, Bradford Property Trust, British Syphon Industries, Jupiter Tyndall Group, NEC Corp, Warnford Investments. Finale: Bridport & Gundry, Gencor. New Promiters Development Trust, Pressac Holdings. Economic statistics: Quarterly house purchase finance statistics (Utird quarter), CBI industrial trends survey (October).

WEDNESDAY

Marks and Spencer, the international clothing and food retailer should buck the depressed conditions affecting so many other retailers with another solid performance.

M&S. Britain's biggest

dothing retailer, should have weathered the recession much better than its retailing rivals thanks to the strength of its balance sheet and stringent cost controls. The absence of exceptional charges and a strong European contribution should help interim pre-tax profits to advance by 16 per cent to £250 million, according to County NatWest. Market forecasts range from £245 million to £265 million. An interim dividend of 2.3p (2.1p) is expected. Analysis will pay close attention to United Kingdom sales growth and margins.

Interims: Abtrust New Thal Invest-ment Trust, Bertam Holdings, Blacks Lelsure Group, Castle Mill International, Jackson Group, Lendu Holdings, Marks and Spen-cer, SKF Group (Q3), Securities, Trust of Scotland, Shitoh (D), Tele-graph, United Energy, Wah Kwong Shipping Holdings, Finale: Majadie Investments, Wellcorne.

Recession curtails level of entrants to Stock Exchange

THE current wave of economic gloom and uncertainty has severely dented activity in new issues on the Stock Exchange, according to a survey by KPMG Peat Marwick, one of Britain's leading accountancy and management consultancy

Figures from KPMG show that there were only 19 new entrants to the main market in the third quarter of this year. with only one entrant to the Unlisted Securities Market. There were no new issues at all last month as the latest wave of economic uncertainty battered new listings. This compares with 26 new entrants to the main market in the third quarter of last year, with two entrants to the USM. The second quarter this year saw lo new entrants to the main market and two to the USM.

Neil Austin, head of new issues in KPMG Corporate Finance, said: "The dearth of new issues in September is not surprising. Such timing would mean a lead up through the holiday period, which is always unpopular, and there is an increasing polarisation away from the summer for all

new issues. The generally lower level of activity, however, is set to continue as long as the current crises in the economy continue and as long as companies

continue to feel unsure of predicting their own future performance - a prerequisite to flotation — against such a background.

"From my experience, I can say that there are currently a significant number of companies looking to plan their floration. Companies needing to raise funds in the next 12 to 18 months, particularly MBO [management buyout] companies needing to repay debt and private companies look-ing for funds for expansion, are increasingly attracted to the stock market.

"However, while plans are being put into place, the launch date may be put on hold until the first definite signs of an upturn."

On the future of small

companies within the stock market, Mr Austin said: "There has been much debate about whether the stock market is only suitable for large companies. There is undoubtedly still a place for the smaller company - the key is a combination of high quality management, excellent prospects and enough shares to interest market-makers. The days of the smaller company, perhaps worth £15 million to £20 million, floating but only letting 10 per cent or so of its shares on to the market are

Next in row over bond

By MARTIN WALLER, DEPUTY CITY EDITOR

A DISPUTE over the redemption of Next's £100 million Euroconvertible bond issue has focused attention on a series of such innovative cashraising exercises, made at the stock market's peak, that are approaching their first redemotion dates.

One Next bondholder has complained that the company did not inform holders of their rights before the due date this month and that he has thus lost his chance to convert the bonds into cash. The bond was issued in September 1987, with a five-year put option allowing holders to redeem at 133p for every £1 of

the issue price. The company counters that most bondholders were aware of the redemption date and duly cashed in their bonds. Because some are bearer bonds.

making it impossible to identify the owner. Next says there can be no requirement to inform even those holders who can be traced. Because of the need to treat all shareholders equally, some observers believe a company that only notifies some holders could leave itself open to legal action from people who lose out.

If holders miss a redemption date they have to wait possibly a decade until the next. An issue by Hillsdown Holdings is due in December, and others from Smith & Nephew and Costain are redeemable next year. There are about 60 similar issues in circulation, many with put options, allowing the investor either to convert into shares or cash out. This can be done after five years, as a rule, although longer terms exist.

eties' monthly figures (September), bricks and cement production and

Imperial Chemical Industries, chaired by Sir Denys Henderson, is still considered by many to be a barometer of British industry, but the chemicals and pharmaceuticals giant's third-quarter figures are unlikely to provide much cheer for the City.

Depressed demand during a difficult summer and a weak dollar will take their toll on ICI's profits. Hoare Govern has pencilled in third-quarter pre-tax profits nearly halved to £100 million (£196 million), giving £520 million (£703 million) for the nine months.

Market forecasts range from £520 million to £550 million. Analysts will also be looking for an update on IC1's demerger plans following re-cent concern that there may be delays in the proposed breakup of the group's bioscience and bulk chemicals businesses

als: Contra-Cyclical Investment

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FRIDAY

Interim pre-tax profits at Reed International, the publishing and information group, are expected to climb to \$86 million (£85.3 million), according to UBS Phillips &

Market forecasts range from £86 million to £92 million. Cost savings will have been offset by continued weak advertising revenue. The interims might coincide with publication of a shareholders' circular giving details on the planned merger with Elsevier, the Dutch publishing group.

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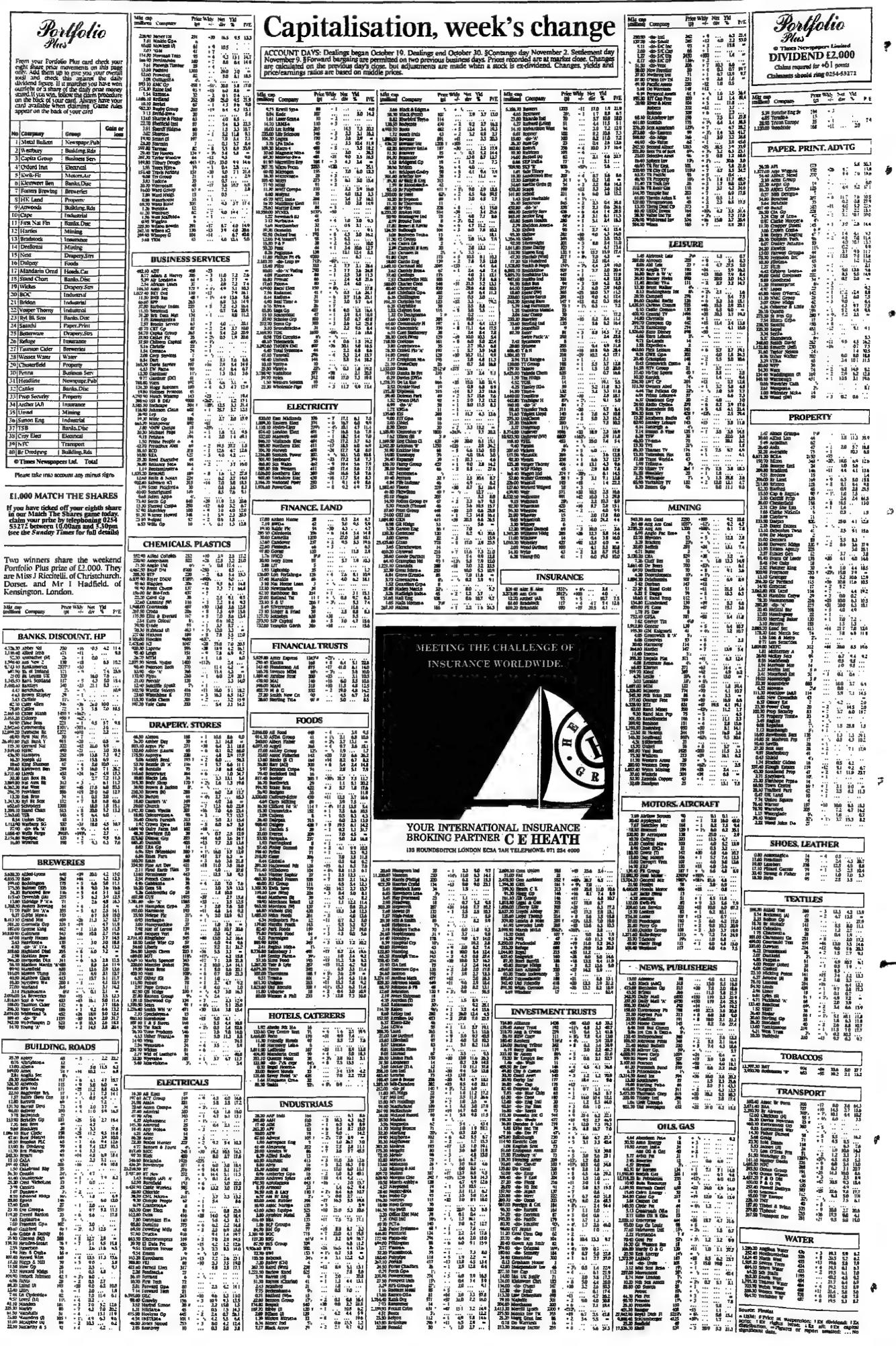
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Challen THE TIMES MONDAY OCTOBER 26 Ched by Industry-led recovery plan urged on Lamont

While the Chancellor is clarifying his new growth-oriented economic strategy after Britain's exit from the ERM, business leaders are offering him their suggestions for a new industrial policy too.

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

BRITAIN'S industrialists are looking to the Chancellor. Norman Lamont, to set out a new economic programme aimed at an industry-led recovery, in his Mansion House speech on Thursday. At a series of meetings, they have presented him with lists of proposals ranging from en-hanced infrastructure spend-

ing to further deregulation. They remain wary of any programme smacking of a return to national economic planning. But in the wake of the recent string of economic reverses for the government, they say it is essential that ministers make an explicit and detailed commitment to poliries that will not merely end the recession, but increase the size and capability of Britain's

In a report to be published in two weeks' time, the CBI will argue that Britain needs to increase its share of world trade from 5.6 per cent by a full percentage point if it is to close the trade gap for good. That would require a rise in manufactured exports of £10 billion a year.

Industrialists are unanimous on the nature of Britain's economic weakness.

According to a recent discussion paper. A Basis for Indus-trial Policy, by the British Chambers of Commerce, manufacturing accounts for about a quarter of gross domestic product, a ratio that has remained broadly constant over the past decade. Because manufacturing provides the base market for the far larger service sector, the chambers argued, the way to increase national wealth is to ensure that manufacturing prospers. Deregulation and privatisa-

tion strategies in the 1980s were welcome, but governments had failed to address difficulties for British business caused by imperfections in the

global market. The measures which business leaders now seek can be divided into three types. First, there are those to help improve industrial efficiency. Business pressure has contributed to the reform of Britain's system of education and skills training. Now industrialists sense the opportunity to compel government to address infrastructure deficiencies. For the Institute of Directors, this also means more government flexibility. facilitate private sector projects and introduce market pressures. "You will never get a level playing field between road and rail until people have to pay to use motorways," said

There is pressure for the government to hold down current spending, allowing only productivity-financed pay increases in the public sector. and pinning rises in the uniform business rate below

a spokesman.

The second group of mea-sures is designed to remove the disadvantages businessmen claim to experience in overseas markets. Completion of the Uruguay round of Gatt talks, currently blocked by France, is seen as critical. Business leaders also want stronger export promotion, including enhanced trade finance assistance, to help them take advantage of the weaker pound.

Finally, there are renewed calls for government intervention, possibly in the form of tax breaks, to encourage innovation and investment.



Industry's advocates: Howard Davies of the CBI and the IoD's Peter Morgan

Japan calls for free trade

BY COLIN CAMPBELL

Kozo Watanabe, Japan's in-

ternational trade and industry

minister, told economic minis-

ters of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations

(Asean) in Manila at the week-

end that the world must resist

the temptations of pro-

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"We are sending out a message to the world of our

seriousness in preserving and expanding the free trade sys-

He said the world economic and trade order "is at its

American trade officials

have indicated they will im-pose retaliatory tariffs on European exports if the dead-

the Gatt process," Watanabe said.

tem," he added.

crossroads".

"It is incumbent upon us to

JAPAN has urged the world's trading nations to tear down. not build, trade barriers, as threats of an imminent trade war between America and the European Community turned increasingly ugly over the

The latest dispute over European farm subsidies that led to the breakdown of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) talks on Friday is unlikely to be resolved until after the American election on November 3. Carla Hills, the American

trade representative, has said America is ready to impose tariffs on a list of EC, and particularly French exports, within days".
The dispute is blocking a

potential \$200 billion boost to the world economy. John Major and Helmut Kohl, the German chancellor, have both urged that the European Commission's executive relock with Europe is not broken solve the trade row at all costs. within days.

France has been blamed for

the impasse because of alleged reluctance to antagonise its powerful farm lobby before elections in March. Asean, meanwhile, is to

press ahead with its free trade area (Afia) from January 1. Pierre Beregovoy, France's prime minister, said he did not expect any resolution of the trade dispute before the American election. He called for European unity in the face of American pressure over agricultural subsidies.

"We will only accept [agree-ment in the Gatt talks] if our agriculture is totally preserved," the French prime minister said.

French officials predict an economic acceleration after November 3 and significant public investment by the new American administration.

Boesky at centre of Maxus court case

FROM PHILIP ROBINSON IN NEW YORK

TWO of Wall Street's most notorious insider dealers of the eighties face each other in court next week, in a case that will again plich the former associates against each other. In the dock will be Ivan Boesky, once king of the arbitrageurs, who spent almost two years in prison after

making millions from inside

information on bids and deals. He now wants alimony as part of a divorce settlement. Star witness will be Martin Siegel, former takeover king at Kidder Peabody, the American investment bank, convicted of insider dealing partly on Boesky's testimony. Two years ago, Mr Boesky said in court he gave Mr Siegel \$800,000 in three cash payments in exchange for inside inform-

ation on bids. Maxus Energy of Dallas is suing Mr Boesky for part of a \$2.2 billion insider trading suit filed jointly against him, Kidder Peabody and Mr Siegel. Maxus alleges Mr Siegel gave Mr Boesky inside information about a 1983 bid that Maxus (then Diamond Shamrock) was making for Natomas of San Francisco. which allowed Mr Boesky to make millions of dollars in illegal profits.

kidder Peabody settled its portion last week, paying Maxus \$165 million, and the company has dropped charges against Mr Siegel in exchange for his evidence against Mr Boesky. A spokesman for Maxus said it had not put a figure on the damages sought it seeks individually from Mr

Boesky. ☐ Two mutual fund companies are suing the American investment arm of National Westminster for \$30 million. alleging they were misled over share purchases in Phar-Mor. a discount chemist chain now

in chapter 11 bankruptcy. T Rowe Price wants to unwind a \$6 million share deal bought from County Nat-West Securities, and Massachusens Financial Services seeks a similar buyback on a \$12 million share purchase and claims \$12 million in damages. Both alleged County NatWest misled investors over the financial state of Phar-Mor when it sold shares in a private placement.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Anglo diversifies with Del Monte deal

ANGLO American Corporation. South Africa's largest mining group, says the proposed takeover of Del Monte Foods International, the canned pineapple and fruit juice processor, by a group in which Anglo has joint control is part of its strategy to diversify. DMFI was formed in 1990 in a management buyout from Del Monte Corporation of America.

The deal is effective from December I and is being transacted via Royal Group Holdings and Royal Foods, its subsidiary. The total cash consideration for buying Del Monte on a debt-free basis is about £360 million. Anglo said DMFI should mean significant benefits for South Africa because of the extent of agricultural and food interests in the Western Cape - home of the South African wine industry and of extensive citrus farming. The investment in Del Monte Foods will help balance group businesses, many of which are cyclical, Anglo said.

Harland in receivership

HARLAND Simon Group, the control systems company whose shares were suspended on September 4 at 20p, has failed to win fresh financial support from its bankers, and says receivers have been appointed to the parent group. Its subsidiaries have not been placed in receivership. The company said reconstruction proposals did not gain the support of its bankers "who have declined to provide ongoing finance". Nick Lyle and Roger Powdrill, partners of Touche Ross, the accountant, have been appointed joint administrative receivers of Harland Simon Group plc.

Dairy Farm expands

DAIRY Farm International, the Hong Kong group that owns 25 per cent of Britain's Kwik Save retailing chain, is buying Cold Storage Holdings for US\$82 million. Cold Storage. Singapore's second largest food retail chain, has 134 outlets and sales in the year ended June of \$168 million. Dairy Farm, part of the Jardine Matheson group, whose associate company. Hongkong Land, made a tender offer for Trafalgar House, will pay cash for Cold Storage on completion of the deal early next year. The acquisition gives Dairy Farm a base for further expansion in southeast Asia.

Unions fight for EFA

TRADE unions are launching a Europe-wide campaign to prevent cancellation of the £22 billion European Fighter Aircraft project and reverse the contraction in Britain's aerospace industry. The unions say 40,000 British jobs and Europe's leading role in aerospace manufacture depend upon the EFA programme, which is threatened by public spending constraints on the four partners. Germany, Britain, Italy and Spain. Bill Jordan, president of the AEEU engineering union, said EFA was "an essential element in any John Major survival plan for manufacturing industry".

Cellular shake-up

THE loss-making British cellular telephone interests of Hutchison Whampoa, the Hong Kong conglomerate, are to be brought under the direct control of the group's head office. Li Ka-shing, Hutchison's chairman, said some smaller telecommunication businesses would be closed or sold. Cellular interests in Britain, of which British Aerospace holds 35 per cent, are being retained, though no further investments will be made. In the first half of this year, Hutchison Whampoa made net losses of HK\$78 million (£6.2 million), against HK\$2.04 billion net profit last time.

Cross the Channel for better value

The government has fi-nally woken up to the but will do little to reduce its real value, with inflation likely fact that the economy is in a depression — or has been forced to by its backbenchers. To be responsible for two years of falling output might be thought a misfortune but to allow a third consecutive drop is clearly careless.

Recognising there is a severe economic problem does not necessarily mean the government can find appropriate remedies. Indeed, while base rates can fall to 5 per cent by early next year, the economy's response will probably be muted, as the US has found with 3 per cent rates.per cent. While low or lower base rates are a necessary condition of recovery, they are not a sufficient one.

flow of mortgage holders, though they will turt the incomes of a smaller group of individuals who rely on interest payments from savings. The real problem facing the

economy is the legacy of the debt overhang from the late 1980s. Lower interest rates will certainly improve the funding of this debt burden,

to remain low over the next 12 months. As a result, consumers will continue to keep a tight rein on spending, especially as employment prospects appear to be taking yet another turn for the worse. Extra cash arising from lower mortgage rates is more likely to be saved than spent.
If private consumption is

not going to lead the way out of depression, what is? It boils down to private-sector investment, public-sector investment or overseas expenditure on British exports. Private investment is unlikely to pick up for some time, given high real interest rates, lack of confidence and weak demand expectations. Likewise, exports are unlikely to benefit significantly from the devaluation, as Britain's main export markets on the Continent are entering a downturn.

This leaves public-sector investment as the main "pump-primer". Although the PSBR is likely to reach £50 billion next year, it would be unwise to use this as

capital projects with a reasonable rate of return. The effect of these on the medium-term PSBR could be positive, anyway, given the beneficial ef-fect of higher activity and increased employment levels

Unfortunately, there is little in the Chancellor's replacement strategy, cobbled together after "Black Wednesday", that sees an active role for public investment in the medium to long term, or fiscal policy as a way of securing growth and employment.

For the gilts market, the immediate prospect is of lower interest rates driving down the yields of shorter-dated maturities. This will result in a further steepening of the yield curve, rather than the inversion that the market has been used to for so long. However, even the longer end of the market could see a fall in yields from about 9 per cent now towards 7 per cent in the next six months.

Funding worries next year, and residual fears that the inflation rate will rise, might prevent long-dated yields from falling much beyond this an excuse for cutting into level, though. In addition,

international investors will demand a risk premium for holding gilts in the absence of any exchange-rate anchor.

S terling can fall to \$1.40 or \$1.50, though worries about the mark. given the prospect of reces sion in Germany and the consequent budgetary over-shoot, could push the pound up to DM2.60 in the new year. As it is, investors might find better value in some of the key continental bond markets. Investment plays look promising in France, the Netherlands and Switzerland, where the potential fall-out from a weaker mark will

enhance currency returns. Longer term, institutional investors are worried that, in addition to the option of rescheduling or socialising debt. policymakers will be tempted to reduce it by printing money. However, an upsurge in inflation seems a long way off, given the depression that is afflicting the world's leading economies. Inflation is tomorrow's problem, hardly today's.

NEIL MACKINNON

British Gas announces important changes for contract gas customers.

Two revised Contract Gas Pricing Schedules, FIS and MT2, are to be introduced on 1st December 1982. The Schedules will be available to all new Contract customers and existing castomers renewing their Contracts on or after 1st December 1992. The changes are as follows:-. FIS Schedule - Firm Contract Duration

Firm Contracts entered into under the new F15 Schedule will have a minimum duration of one Contract Year and may be terminated by the customer or British Gas, at the end of any ... Contract Year, At the end of each Contract Year the customer may elect to continue taking a supply of gas under the same Contract as amended according to the published Schedule and Contract terms applicable at the start of the sert Confrect Year.

FIS Schedule - Firm Contract - Block Year Under the sew FIS Schedule the concept of a-Block Year is to be introduced for Firm Contracts. The Block Year will generally commence each year on the meter reading date on or seasest to 1st December, regardless of the Contract Start Date. The first 792,878 kWh (25,000 therms) consumed at each premises in sach Brock Teer will be charged at the Block Price, For the time being the Black Price will be the same as the initial Block Price in the existing

FI4 Schedule - Short Petind and Medium Period Interruptible Schedules

The Short and Medium Period Interruptible Schedules are to be withdrawn. Existing Contracts will continue until their expiry.

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Interruptible Contracts entered into under the new FIS Schedule will be limited to a maximum of 20 premises under a single Contract.

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COMMENT

An expert view of the energy muddle

he debate over Britain's energy muddle, or "Who killed King Coal?" as it might now be subtitled, becomes more bizarre by the day. There have been so many U-turns that it is by no means clear who has the roles of poacher or gamekeeper, or whether the spokesman now approaching is the same person who passed by a few moments ago, travelling in the opposite direction. Consider the following remarks on the subject of power privatisation in Britain which have just appeared in the leading US financial magazine, Institutional Investor. "The full benefits of privatisation] have yet to come. Where competition is not now present, additional measures are necessary." And who might have uttered these apparently condemnatory opinions on the effectiveness of the structures imposed by government on the privatised power industry? "Competition will take time to develop. Major generators are likely, therefore, to retain a

large market share for some time."

The quotations are from Professor Stephen Littlechild, the man responsible for regulating Britain's electricity industry. They are not, though they certainly might be, from a coal industry lobbyist. an MP with a mining constituency or a trade union leader. In a brief article clearly intended to be descriptive rather than analytical, Mr Littlechild has more harsh things to say on the legacy of Cecil Parkinson and John Wakeham, the politicians most directly responsible for the shape of the electricity

business today.

Of the pool pricing system designed to bring some free market elements into the industry, he writes: "Problems have arisen in the pool, in that the major generators have been able to influence prices. . . . in general, the pool should facilitate competition and improve options open to customers, generators and suppliers, rather than impose a straitjacket on the development of the market." In yet another observation in what is basically an optimistic assessment of the future state of the industry, Mr Littlechild expresses concern that the present system of price controls allows the regional electricity companies (RECs) to pass on rising costs directly, giving them little incentive to contain costs.

s the trade and industry select committee A gathers to review plans for rationalising coal production and energy policy generally, its members should dwell for a moment on the views of the electricity regulator. There are few better placed expert witnesses to support the view that privatisation was flawed in that it did not immediately introduce sufficient competition. especially in generating. Indeed, in a second interview this weekend, Mr Littlechild is quoted as saying despairingly that he is not convinced that there ever will be enough diversity in generation. High on the committee's list must be a re-examination of the industry's structure, deferral of the coal closures and preparation of a direct sale of British Coal's unwanted assets. Anywhere but the public sector, management that planned to close operations before attempting to raise some income by way of a sale would be aggressively questioned.

Closure before even trying a sale appears profligate at a time when public spending is under pressure. Such steps would make sense only in terms of the political imperative to privatise coal. The government is close to giving the impression that it wishes to privatise regardless, thus reinforcing the lack of competition in power generation. It is tough for politicians to admit they were wrong. But with Uturns now politically correct - so far, at least, as this government is concerned - the climate is more favourable. A root and branch review of energy policy will by no means save all condemned mines, indeed that is a hopeless cause. But some may continue, one hopes in a more competitive power industry, which delivers lower prices to its customers.

How Mr Soros made a billion by betting against sterling

Anatole Kaletsky talks

to the billion-dollar

brain behind much of the Black Wednesday speculation that sterling would guit the ERM

eorge Soros is an intensely intellectual man who spends much of his time in eastern Europe as a political and educational philan-thropist. He is also the world's biggest currency speculator. In the two weeks leading to Black Wednesday. Mr Soros engaged the British government in the highest-stakes

game of poker in history. He bet \$10 billion that Mr Major would fail in his irrevocable and "over-riding objective" — to keep sterling above its floor in the ERM. Everyone now knows that Mr Major lost his side of the gamble. On Saturday, in a long interview at his house in London, Mr Soros decided to describe his side of this poker

Over the weekend Mr Soros was identified in America and in the Daily Mail in London as "the man who made a billion out of the pound's collapse". With an embarrassed wince that could not entirely hide some mischievous self-satisfaction, Mr Soros conceded at the outset that this was broadly true.

"We did short a lot of sterling and we did make a lot of money, because our funds are so large. We must have been the biggest single factor in the market in the days before the ERM fell apart. Our total position by Black Wednesday had to be worth almost \$10 billion. We planned to sell more than that. In fact, when Norman Lamont said just before the devalua-tion that he would borrow nearly \$15 billion to defend sterling, we were amused because that was about how much we wanted to sell.

"But things moved faster than we expected and we didn't manage to build up the full position. So a billion is about right as an estimate of the profit, though dollars, not pounds." After checking with his New York

office. Mr Soros gives a more precise figure. By the middle of last week, the running profits on his sterling positions were around \$950 million. His gains have continued to mount since Black Wednesday because he has not yet bought back all the pounds he sold, believing currencies tend to overshoot before they hit bottom.

Unlike academic economists, Mr Soros does not think currency speculation is needed to pull market prices to realistic levels. In fact, his belief that financial markets are often driven by irrational psychology, is, he says, the key to his own success.

Speculation can be very harmful, especially in currency markets. But measures to stop it, such as exchange controls, usually do even more harm. Fixed exchange-rate systems are also flawed, because they eventually fall apart. In fact, any exchange-rate system is flawed and the longer it



Betting on a certainty: George Soros was never in any doubt that sterling would leave the ERM

exists the greater the flaws become. The only escape is to have no exchange-rate system at all, but a single currency in Europe, as in the US. It would put speculators like me out of business, but I would be delighted to make that sacrifice." But why single Britain out in the attack on the ERM last month?

Mr Soros notes in passing that he was also the leading seller of Italian iira, but says that fundamentally the timing of Britain's ERM entry was to blame. Britain went into the ERM in the midst of recession, while Germany was experiencing its post-unification boom. The position be-came unsustainable as the British recession deepened. The longer the

government held out against a re-alignment, the bigger — and surer —

were the gains for speculators. Just how big were those gains? Mr Soros's figure of \$950 million was not his personal profit, but that of the four funds he manages — the \$4 billion Quantum Fund and three smaller offshoots now worth another \$2 billion. Mr Soros's personal stake quoted on any exchanges but are traded in London by Kleinwort Benson, is about one third.

In addition to the \$950 million the funds made by selling sterling, there were other gains from the turmoil in the ERM. Mr Soros sold lire and bought German bonds. He took big long positions in British, German and French interest rate futures. And he bought the London stock market. hedging this with sales of German

and French shares. The week after the British devaluation, Mr Soros made further gains by siding with the position. Time was running out." French authorities against specula-tors who were attacking the franc. In all, the funds made about \$2 bil-

lion. But to produce such immense profits, Mr Soros had to take corresponding risks. Why was he ready to stake his entire wealth on the failure of a policy to which the British gov-ernment was irrevocably committed? Mr Soros gives three answers. First, he was confident that the

Bundesbank wanted devaluations in Britain and Italy, but not in France. "I felt safe betting with the Bundesbank clearly wanted the lira and pound devalued, but it was prepared to defend the franc. In the end, the score was Bundesbank, 3-nil; speculators, 2-1. I did even better than some others by sticking to the Bundesbank's side." Second, the depth of the British recession made Mr Major's commit

ment to DM2.95 untenable.

ould the prime minister ination clearer by raising British interest rates before Black Wednesday? Mr Soros laughs: Absolute nonsense, poppycock, If interest rates had been raised, it would have encouraged us to speed up our sales, because the process was speeding up. In fact, we had not expected the devaluation to happen until the weekend. But when interest rates were put up on Black Wednesday, we realised we could not afford The third reason why Mr Soros

was prepared to bet his entire fortune was because that is how his fund operates. The huge sale of sterling was by no means the biggest position Mr Soros has taken. Earlier this year, for example, he borrowed vast sums of money to buy \$17 billion worth of Japanese bonds and simultaneously short-sell the Tokyo stock market.

Mr Soros takes these immense risks because that is the only way to achieve high returns for himself and other Quantum investors. The entire \$5 billion to \$6 billion in his four funds has grown from an initial investment of \$4.8 million in 1969. This thousand-fold capital apprecia-tion has made it possible for Quanturn to claim in its annual reports that "no other investment fund has ever produced comparable results".

Mr Soros has made some huge losses - he was the biggest single loser from Black Monday in 1987, dropping \$650 million when he wrongly calculated that a short position in Japanese stocks would protect him from losses on Wall Street. More recently he admits to having traded badly in the Italian bond market. But he has been right more often than wrong. In fact, in its 22 years Quantum has suffered only one annual fall, in 1981.

So what are the economic and political prospects on which Mr Soros

He thinks America will recover

slowly, while the German and French economies are now "falling out of bed". As a result, interest rues will decline sharply in Europe and the dollar will continue to rise.

With last month's turmoil subsiding. Italy will soon rejoin the ERM, and if the Maastricht Treaty is ratified, which he expects, the creation of a single currency and the unification of Europe will "have a good chance". Ironically, the main financial implication will be that economic convergence, under the aegis of the ERM, will resume. Even in Italy, the worst of the inflation and fiscal crisis is now over, he believes.

For Britain, however, rejoining the ERM in the near future would be a big mistake. Mr Soros believes that Britain is now preparing to follow sensible policy, after Mr Major's Uturn in favour of growth. He says investors would see a wage freeze in the public sector as an excellent anchor against inflation to replace the ERM for the time being.

"A 2 per cent pay policy would be less positive but would probably do the trick. Britain has a chance to engineer economic recovery without rekindling inflation. The main aim of policy must be to stop asset deflation, esepcially in housing."

o do this interest rates must be brought down further and sterling allowed to fall further, at least in the short term. "If interest rates are cut quickly, the decline in sterling will probably accelerate, but if they do it slowly the ultimate low will be lower than in the first case," he says. The only scenario on which sterling might not fall any further against the mark is if the Bundesbank cuts German rates even more aggressively than expected and Britain moves down in line. To cover this possibility. Mr Soros says he now prefers to short sterling against the dollar, rather than the mark.

Betting on a gradual recovery, Mr Soros has made big investments in the London stock market. He notes, however, that prices have risen so far that recovery is already partly discounted. His holdings are therefore concentrated in property-related shares, such as construction companies, insurers and mortgage lenders. Once the recession is over, Mr Soros expects Britain to rejoin the ERM and the move towards a common currency in Europe.

But why is Mr Soros so confident about a united Europe, given widespread hostility to Maastricht and the opposition of the Bundesbank to sing control of the German mark? Europe must — and probably will unify not for economic reasons, but to prevent war, he believes.

I expect a period of tremendous turbulence in eastern Europe and this turmoil outside the create the momentum for European union. Nationalism in the east is now so strong that only a united Europe can counteract it. Unless Europe holds together, war will engulf most of the former Soviet Union.

As for the German reluctance to give up the mark, Mr Soros con-cludes: "If Maastricht is ratified, "? maybe I will even bet against the Bundesbank."

BUSINESS LETTERS

The Gatwick alternative needs Dan-Air's continued operation

From Mr John Cox Sir, In his letter on the implications of a "rescue" of Dan-Air by British Airways (Business Letters, October 20), Mr Gray makes a number of points on behalf of other

From the consumers' point of view the issues are not as clear. It is important that users have a choice of airport as well as airlines; and if Dan-Air were to disappear from Gatwick, travellers preferring to fly from there rather than Heathrow would be disadvan-

From Dr David Blake

Sir, Mr T. G. Campion's dis-

appointment with the consult-

ation document recently published by Professor Goode's Pension Law Review

Committee (Business Letters.

October 13) may be greater

few thousand professionals

who make their living from the pensions industry, it app-

ears to ignore the interests of

most of the 11 million mem-

bers of occupational pension

schemes by disregarding the

alternative to such schemes. As

I demonstrated in my recent article in The Times (It's time

Not only is it directed at the

taged accordingly. Moreover, Dan-Air's failure would inevitably have a damaging impact in the services provided by other airlines at Gatwick, since, as Mr Gray says, it has more slots than any other

Anything which further damaged Gatwick's credibility as a major scheduled airport, following the failure of Air Europe last year, could also have a knock-on effect on the prospects for Stansted, Air UK's home base.

Thus, whist we prefer to see

to take our pensions out of the

hands of employers. Septem-

ber 18), the vast majority of

employees in today's world of

increasing labour mobility

would benefit from having

personal pension schemes. I

trust that Professor Goode's

flexibility in its terms of refer-

ence to consider these

In addition, Mr Roger

Westwood's letter of October

15 contains a misunderstand-

ing of my proposal to unitise

final salary schemes. The rela-

tionship between final salary

and money purchase schemes

is clear. A final salary scheme

is simply a money purchase

alternatives.

Ignoring the interests of occupational pension scheme members

Dan-Air go to another airline. if BA's involvement is the only way to preserve the services which Dan-Air provides so well, the balance of advantage to consumers is to allow BA to proceed. Sheer size does not in itself give rise to unfair competition; and in any event the European Community would have weapons at its disposal to move quickly against any predatory behaviour.

We too are strong supporters of the Government's multiairline policy and we welcome the additional opportunities

scheme combined with two

options: a put option on the

underlying assets in the pen-sion fund written by the spons-

or to the member, and a corresponding call option written by the member to the

sponsor. In each case, the

exercise price of the option is

equal to a fixed proportion (with a maximum of two thirds) of final salary. At

retirement, one of these op-

tions is bound to be exercised.

verts a final salary scheme into

a unitised money purchase scheme. However, there is no

reason one or both of these

options could not be attached

to my scheme as long as they

My proposal simply con-

which the liberalisation of the EC air transport market from next January will provide but we see no inconsistency between these policies and a BA takeover of Dan-Air provided that the outcome is adequately policed. AUC will monitor what follows quite as closely as competitor airlines. Yours faithfully. JOHN COX.

are correctly priced. But there

is no cause for Mr Westwood's

"outrage" that personal pen-sion providers be required to build such options into their

products: final salary scheme

providers have been doing it,

apparently unknowingly, for

Yours faithfully

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sex appeal

Charitable

CHRIS Munro, managing director of Robert Fleming Securities, has been doing his bit to boost sales of Madonna's book, Sex, flogging the £20 book to colleagues and clients for £50 to raise money for the Children's Liver Disease Foundation, the charity chosen this year by The October Club, a charitable City fundraising organisation. Among those ready to profer £50 were Lindsay Rutherford, managing director of LET Leisure, and Larry Maddy, a Fleming salesman. Munro admits, however, that he did not buy the books himself and that, according to Books Etc, the Broadgate bookshop, he is a typical City male. Doreen Lamont, shop assistant, says: "Lots of people sent their assistants to buy it for them and when they paid for it they were all very good humoured. I suppose they were laughing to hide their embarrassment." Their embarrassment, however, was not sufficient to stop them rushing in their hundreds to buy a copy. "We were



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sent 300 copies on Wednesday morning and we had sold out by 1 pm." Lamont continues. "Most of them just referred to it as "the Madonna book" because they are all so fright-fully British they couldn't actu-ally say 'Sex', could they?"

WHETHER through desperation or not, company executives and stock market analysts are becoming increasingly witty as the recession rolls on Roger Hurn, chief executive of Smiths Industries, the aerospace and medical group, says analysts tell him that Smiths shares are not regarded as a "recovery" stock because "you have not been to hospital". Meanwhile, Jeremy Lancaster, chairman of Wolseley, the building products group. speaking of Britain's economic prospects, told the financial Press this week: "You can read the tea leaves as well as anybody. The trouble is, the tea leaves seem to have sunk."

Maturity value

ANDREW Longhurst, Britain's highest paid building so-ciety chief executive, who re-

ceived £306,000 last year, is celebrating 25 years at the Cheltenham & Gloucester. Longhurst joined the society as a data processing manager when it did not own a single computer, had assets of £77.4 million and was 15th in the league table. Now it is worth £15 billion and has climbed to sixth, while the number of societies has dropped by two thirds. This summer, Long-hurst, 53, single-handedly forced the government to re-duce interest rates on National Savings' new bond by putting up the mortgage rate. His "back to the knitting" policy at the C&G has been equally successful and, as part of his anni-versary celebrations on Friday, he was presented with a painting of a woman darning socks

Star guest

A STAR is born - or so say those who heard an impromptu performance given by David Clasen, 27, a Morgan Grenfell corporate financier. at a flotation party in Brighton last week for Vardon, the London Dungeon and marina group. In the midst of it all. Clasen leapt to his feet and started to sing. Alex Sandberg, of College Hill. Vardon's PR firm, enthuses: "He's got a wonderful voice, a cross between Chris de Burgh and Bruce Springsteen. We were stunned. We want to manage him in his new career." Clasen admits that an agent might come in useful. His semi-professional group. Voice Traffic, which specialises in 1970s and 1980s hits, is still seeking Christmas bookings. Clasen says: "We are an a capella group, which means only

voices. We've been on every

national radio station and Opportunity Knocks but we're short on bookings right now."

Powell in public DESPITE his well known,

anti-Europe views, octogenarian Enoch Powell has not spoken out in recent weeks. Powell, who makes few public ap-pearances these days, has agreed to two engagements. One, as befits a distinguished classicist, is to deliver a speech in Greek to the Oxford Union in January. The other, in keeping with his former job as financial secretary to the Treasury in 1957-8, is to speak at the 14th housing fi-nance seminar for UK building societes on November 13. at Barber Surgeon's Hall. David Buik, chairman of Prebon Yamane, the money broker, previously Babcock Fulton Prebon, is hosting the event and is delighted to have such a controversial speaker. "Our directors have known Enoch for some time," Buik confides. "He's always worth listening to. I'd be surprised if it's not a sparky speech." The other orators will be Peter Jay. the BBC's economics editor, a fierce critic of the government, and Peter Wood, finance director of Barciays Bank.

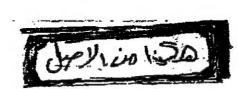
WRETCHED holders of the isosceles stub - shares that were issued in part payment for the takeover of the Gateway supermarket chain - are being quoted "a Cabinet to two" by Goldman Sachs. That means Coldman will sell for 2p a share but what is this P Cabinet buying price? A sales-man explained: "It means the stub is completely worthless."

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6.00 Ceehox (63084) 6.30 BBC Breakfast News (27685423)
9.05 Kilroy. Robert Kilroy-Silk chairs a studio discussion on a topical subject (6785152) 9.45 Ross King. Outz show (s) (6895688)
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10.30 Good Morning ... with Anne and Nick Weekday magazine sense presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owan (77583152)

12.15 Pebble Mill. Jucil Splers is joined by actresses Barbara Flynn and Sheila Hancock. Also on hand are the Chippendeles (s) (9058520)

12.55 Regional News and weather (53364152)

1.00 One O'Clock News with Philip Hayton (Ceelax) Weether (86862)

1.30 Neighbours. (Ceelax) (s) (80571539) 1.50 Going For Gold. General knowledge quiz with European contestants. The question-master is the gregarious Henry Kelly (80575355)

2.15 Paradise. Western drame series (7159065) 3.00 Family Affairs presented by Glona Hunniford and Caron Keating (5220)

3.30 Droopy Double Bill. Cartoors (6367423) 3.45 PC Pinkerton. Ansmalion (f) (2322688) 3.50 Wildbunch. Violet Berlin and Mark Evans, a vet, examine the ways some animals hide from their enemies (s) (6354959) 4.05 Tea With Grandma. Pupper series. The guest is Quentin Biake (7282607) 4.15 Gordon T. Gopher (f) (7271591) 4.25 The New Yogi Bear Show (f) (s) (7295171) 4.35 Peter Pan and the Piretes. (Ceefax) (s) (7006713)

4.55 Newsround (9080171) 5.05 Blue Pater. Anthea Turner reports from Hungary on the environmental threat to the River Denube, now far from blue. (Ceefax) (s) (4148133)

5.36 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (856794). Northern Ireland: Inside Uister

5.00 Six O'Clock News with Anna Ford and Chris Lowe. (Ceetax)

Weather (133)
6.30 Regional News Magazines (713). Northern Ireland: Neighbours
7.00 Edorado. (Ceefex) (s) (7201)
7.30 Watchdog Special: If Only I'd Known What to Do. Advice for
those people who have been at the scene of accidents but were
powerless to help through ignorance (f). (Ceefex) (997)
8.00 On the Up. Tepid comedy series starring Dennis Watermen as a
self-made millionaire with a problem marriage, (Ceefex) (s) (3249)



Feeling the pinch: Ray Winstone, Carol Harrison (8.30pm)

8.30 Get Back

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 CHOICE: From Laurence Marks and Maurice Gran, creators of Birds of a Feather, comes another tale of the working class new rich down on their luck. Billed as a "recession comedy", Get Back is the down on their luck, billed as a "recession cornedy", Get Back is the story of two brothers who made their pile during the Thatcherite enterprise culture. But like many a small businessman in the depressed Nineties, Martin (Ray Winstone) has gone bust. The Rolls and the posh house have gone and Martin is forced to decamp with his tarty wife (Carol Herrison) and teenage daughters to dad's grotty council flat. Brother Albert (Larry Lamb) is too mean to help. As in Birds, the dialogue is sardonic, incidled with crude sexual innuendo and, despite that, often very furny. But it is a good question whether we are supposed to lauch with these vulcar and question whether we are supposed to laugh with these vulgar and rather dreadful people or to laugh at them. (Ceelax) (5084) 9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lawis. (Oracle) Regional news

and weather (2978)
9.30 Panorama: The Comeback Kid. Julian O'Halloran reports on how presidential favourite Bill Clinton has survived the campaign despite

he attacks on his character (434317) 10.10 Film 92 with Barry Norman. Among the films reviewed are Glangary Glan Ross, Unlawful Entry and Mon Père Ce Héros (339930). Northern Ireland: 29 Live; Wales: Between Ourselves 10.40 Come Dancing. Glasgow meet Belfast at the Bournemouth International Centre. Introduced by Rosemarie Ford (s) (760539). Northern Ireland: 10.45 Film 92. Northern ireland: 10.45 Film 92

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11.15 The Victorian Kitchen Garden. Series following the restoration of a walled garden to its former glory (r). (Ceefax) (349539). Northern Ireland: Come Dancing; Wales: Film 92
11.45 Careering Ahead (r) (331510). Northern Ireland: 11.50-12.20 Careering Ahead; Wales: The Victorian Kitchen Garden
12.15am Weather (4269992). Wales: Careering Ahead

VARIATIONS

As London except: 2.15-2.45 Grahem Ken 11647751 5.25-7.00 Anglis News (994046) 10.40 Marques (464152) 11.30 Science Fiction (408962) 11.40-12.30 War of the Worlds (438713)

BORDER

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Minutes (7629624) 4.35 Austin Encorel
(22736379) 4.55-5.30 Jobe (9743089)

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B.00 Breakfast News (4824881) 8.15 Westminster (4814404) 8.30 Under Sail. Film of the 1964 rum regatta in the German Baltic port

of Flensburg (r) (9549442) 8.50 A Week to Remember (b/w). Pathe News clips from 1952 (6034317) 9.00 Holiday Outings. Jimmy Mulville explores children's Paris (r) (2666201)

9.05 Daytime On Two. Educational programmes 2.00 News and weather followed by Storytime (r) (s) (23750249) 2.15
Regional Westminster Programmes (r) (177249). Northern Ireland: The Victorian Kitchen Garden 2.45 Delhi Day. The sights

Ireland: The Victorian Kitchen Garden 2.45 Delhi Day. The sights and sounds of the indian city (r) (9164846)
3.00 News and weather (8946133) 3.05 Songs of Praise from Shrewsbury Abbey (r). (Ceefax) (s) (1862591) 3.40 A Week to Remember (Dw). As 8.50sm (2345539) 3.50 News, regional news and weather (2334423)
4.00 Catchword. The first of a new series of the word game (s) (626) 4.30 World Scrabble Champtonship. Highlights from the final rounds of the first competition, held last year (r) (510)
5.00 Japanese Grand Prix. Highlights (r) (5607)
5.30 Royal Gardens. Sir Roy Strong explores the horticultural legacy of King George IV (r). (Ceefax) (962)
6.00 The Addams Family (b/w). Ghoulish humour based on the characters created in the New Yorker magazine cartoon series (Ceefax) (122978)

Ceefax) (122978) 6.25 DEF II begins with The Fresh Prince of Bel Air American comedy series (202688) 6.50 Dance Energy House Party. The guests include Boyz II Men, Altern 8 and Degrees of Motion (s) (221997) 7.25 Liquid Television, Last in the series of animation from around

the world (428084).

7.50 Staggering Stories of Fardinand de Bargos. Surreal series combining newsclips with the voices of Enn Relitel, John Glover, Kate Robbins and Susie Blake (r) (s) (492794)



Successful candidates: four medical students (8.10pm)

clors To Be: Trial By Interview.

 CHOICE: In 1984 BBC cameras followed seven aspiring medical students through their interviews at St Mary's Hospital in London. It made riveting television. Here were narvous young people, determined to impress but often floored by an awkward question. As soon as they had left the room we heard what the interviewing panel thought of them. The comments were not always flattering. Finally we had the verdicts: acceptance, rejection or a place on the waiting list. Much of this material is repeated tonight at the start of a new series which charts the progress of the successful candidates. By now they are junior doctors and two of them, at least, are thoroughly disenchanted. Using these case histories the series promises to throw fascinating light on how we select and train for a demanding profession. (Ceefax) (822201)

9.00 Film: Love is Never Silent (1985) starring Mare Winningham. An Emmy Award-winning drama, shown as part of the Deaf Awareness

Week, about a young worrien who, throughout her childhood, has been the ears and the voice of her deaf parents. When she falls in love she finds that her happiness conflicts with their needs, Directed by Joseph Sargent. (Ceefax) (1249)

10.30 Newsnight with Jeremy Paxman (477317)

11.15 The Late Show. Arts and media magazine (s) (170152)

11.55 London Underground, Stand-up comedy and music introduced

by Denis Leary. Among those appearing tonight are Steve Coogan, the Higgins Boys and Gruber and Colin Quinn. Music is provided by Seal (824046) 12.25am Westher (4263718)

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6.00 TV-em (6530930) 9.25 Keynotas Music game hosted by Alistair Divali (1559249) 9.55 Thames News (7166539)

10.00 The Time... The Place... Topical discussion programme

10.35 This Morning. Magazine series presented by Richard Madeley and Judy Finnigan Today's edition includes advice on emotional problems, recipes and the first of a series of master-classes for those wanting to make a career in the music business. With national and international news at 10.55 and regional new at 11.55 followed by national weather (26232539)

12.10 Rosie and Jim Children's pupper sense (): (7603572) 12.30 Lunchtime News.(Oracle) Weather (6301539) 1.05 Thames News (54801012)

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2.15 Thames Help. Jacke Spreckley with advice on complaining effectively (164775) 2.45 Families. Soap linking the north of England with Australia (s) (6155404)

3.18 ITN Naws headlines (9364539) 3.15 Thames News headlines (8965510): 3.20 The Young Doctors Drama senal set in an Australian city hospital (4556775)

3.50 Wowser. Animation (r) (2338249) 4.00 The Sooty Show With Matthew Corbett (s) (4725389) 4.25 Baetfelutes (r) (Oracle) (1702775) 4.50 How 2. Facts and fun senes presented by Fred Dinerale, Carol Vorderman and Gareth Jones (4772201)

5.10 Blockbusters. General knowledge quiz game (4132572)

5.40 Early Evening News. (Oracle) Weather (101317)

5.55 Thames Help (r) (688404)

6.30 Thames News (881)

7.00 The Krypton Factor. Gordon Sums with another round of the brain

7.00 The Krypton Factor. Gordon Sums with another round of the brain and brawn competition. Taking part in the test-of-memory playlet are Tony Stattery, Kane Pucirik and Roger Licyd Pack. (Oracle) (st



First day as school cleaner: Peter Baldwin mopes (7.30pm)

.30 Coronation Street (Oracle) (715)

8.00 Strike it Lucky. Game show hosted by the energetic Michael Barrymore. (Oracle) (s) (8317)
8.30 World In Action: Trust Me, I'm a Doctor. An investigation uncovering serious breaches of medical and pharmaceutical among a large number of slimming clinics in the United Kingdom (9132) 9.00 Soldier, Soldier: Lost and Found, Drama senes following the

lives of men and women of the King's Fusiliers, based in Hong Kong. This week there are repercussions when some men visit a brothel; Fusilier Rawlings becomes disenchanted with the army after being refused permission to marry; and Colonel Fortune's career is put on the line by his wife's decision to look after the child of illegal immigrants. (Ceefax) (s) (4607) 10.00 News at Ten. (Oracle) Weather (69751) 10.30 Thames News

10.40 Film: The Survivors (1983) starring Walter Matthau and Robin Williams. Erratic black comedy about two disparate men who apprehend a robber and then face his revenge when he is released from prison on a technicality. Directed by Michael Ritchie (10549930) 12.30am Entertainment UK. Weekly teisure time guide (s) (95534) 1.30 Sport AM. John McEnroe meets Andre Agassi in a Seoul challenge

2.30 Film: The Last Shot (1969) starring Robert Hossein, Charles Aznavour and Vima List. Routine French thriler about a notonous gangster being hunted by a special elite force under a childhood friend. Directed by Sergio Goobi (81640)
4.30 Music Special. The first of a two-part concert featuring rhythm and

blues stars of the 1960s including Booker T and the MGs, Phil Upchurch and Carle Thomas (s) (29398) 5.30 ITN Morning News (50737). Ends at 6.00

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(2844888) 9.10 Cartoons (9757688) 9.30
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Make a Deal (83688) 10.30 The Bold and the
Beautiful (54828) 11.00 The Young and the
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come between a Jewish boy end an Israeli gri (1046). 8.00 Butch Casaldy and the Sundance (Idd (as 10am) (10794). 8.00 Look Who's Telking Too (1990). Toddlers wose their thoughts (54328713) 9.40 UK Top Ten (27997). 10.00 Bontins of the Vendalos (1991). Tom Wolle's social cornecty (5884117). 12.05em Princess Academy (1986). Con-edy about gets at finishing school (887553).

1.45 Everytoody's All-American (1989)
Dentha Quaid and Jessaca Lange seem to be the perfect couple (38960244)
4.00 Mr Deathry (1990) Michael Caine gwas James Betush another chance (7834)
EUROSPORT SKY MOVIES GOLD

e Via the Astra satellitie
6.00pm Battle of Britain (1969): Second
world war serial doglights. Starting Laurence
Olivier and Christopher Pturmer (19696065)
8.15 Honlify Tonik Frestway (1961): A small
town attempts to attract (burets (63197930)
10.05 Body Heat (1981): Soductress
Kathleen Tunes persuades William Hun to
marder har husband Richard Crenns
(904862) Ends at 11.55 THE MOVIE CHANNEL

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6.15am David and Bathshoba (1951).

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8.15 The Prog Prince (1987). Retelling of
the tary-tale 90281404)
10.00 The Yellow Rolfs-Royce (1964):
Terence Ratigan's episodic cornedy about a
car's three owners (78405423)
12.15pra Anastasia (1965) ingnd Bergman
claims to be the Tser's daughter (554065)
2.15 The Two-Heeded Spy (1968): Bopc
of the spy, Colonel Alex Schotland (934201)
4.15 The Frog Prince (as 8 15am) (108341)
8.45 Mr Rock and Roll (1967) The story of
Alan Freed (40848776)
7.30 Xiposure. Film news (331249)
8.10 Stanley and Iria (1990): Jene Fonde
and Robert De Noro lail in the (79472539)
10.00 Pitofasx (1990) Escaped convict
James Betush impersonales executive
Charles Grodin (725317)
11.50 Cold Dig Soup (1990): Cornedy
about a man who lines to bury a woman's
dog (811133)
1.25am The Take (1999) Former policeman Ray Sherisay becomes involved with
C.t.can drug carries (42469): Musical drama
(3028905) Ends al 8.00
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6.00 pm World Service 8.30 Danny Baker's
Morning Edition 9.30 Take Rive 10.25 Wingly
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Halves, with Caron Keeting and Mark Karmode 4.30 Five Aside 5.30 Stars Based on the
books by Hunter Davies (15/20) 7.15 The Water Horse, by Dick King-Smith Read by John
Gordon Sinclair (1/4) 7.30 Champion Sport 9.30 Rgn Man Run, A tivitier by Chester Hirnes
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WORLD SERVICE

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6.00em Nick Bailey 9.00 Harry Kefly 12.00

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Cartoons (34084)
7.00 The Big Breakfast presented by Chris Evans and Gaby Rossin

9.00 You Bet Your Life. American game show hosted by Bill Cosby (s) (87930) 9.30 Schools (168149)

12.00 Right to Reply General Sir Anthony Fariar-Hockley discusses
Lynda La Plante's BBC drama Civvies (r), (Telefext) (s) (19274)

12.30 Sesame Street, Early-learning senes (32355)

1.30 Kaboodle, Children's entertainment (r) (25688)

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2.00 Film: The Brothers Rico 11957, brw) starring Richard Comle. Moody gangster drama, adepted from a Simenon novel, about a former syndicate accountant who learns that his two criminal brothers are on the hit list of a rival gang. With James Darren and Paul Picerni. Directed by Phil Karlson 1771539)
2.40 The Three Stooges in Playing the Ponies (1937, b/w) (6627355)
4.00 Spirit of Trees The lirst of an eight-part series about the trees of Britain, presented by the environmentalist Dick Warner (r). (Teletext) (2004)

4.30 Fifteen To One Quick-lire general knowledge quiz (s) (978) 5.00 Late Late Show Dublin's topical chall and music show hosted by Gay Byrne (s) (2510)
6.00 Streetwise. Drama series about a team of London cycle couriers

6.30 The Wonder Years American comedy series about growing up in the 1960s (r) (423) 7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) Weather (585607)

7,50 Comment (737404) 8.00 Brookside Suburban Merseyside soap (Ceelaxi (s) (6959) a.30 Desmond's. Genial comedy senes set in a Peckham barber's, staming Norman Beaton (8794)



Emergency call: psychiatrist Dr Lawrence Ratna (9.00pm)

9.00 Cutting Edge: Breakdown.

● CHOICE The excellent documentary strand returns with a portrait of Britain's only 24-hour psychiatric emergency service, based at Barnet Hospital in north London. The cameras follow five cases, demonstrating the flavour and variety of the unit's work. They include a young mother roaming the streets with her children, convinced they will be taken away from her. There is a woman who has locked herself in a bedroom, refusing to eat, drink or talk. The toughest assignment is a violent man who has to be restrained by the police, the saddest an elderly widower who has gone to pieces after the death of his wife. The response is impressive and the results encouraging. One of the team, psychiatrist Dr Lawrence Ratna, says his job is often about loving the unlovable. It is a disturbing film but also a constructive one. (Ceefax) (2249)

10.00 A Bit of a Do. David Nobbs's cornedy drama series starring David Jason, Gwen Taylor and Nicola Pagett (r). (Teletext) (5336)
 11.00 The "Other" Americas: New World, Old Order.

 CHOICE: Argentina entered the 20th century as one of the world's richest countries but is now among the poorest. The film Inhs this economic failure to the inability to establish a cohesive national identity. The approach is historical, showing how a powerful landed elite, usually backed by the military, has jostled for supremacy with the urban working class. The biggest assertion of working class power came under Juan Peron, though after his death the landowners and military soon reasserted themselves. The decision to invade the Falklands is seen as an attempt to unite the country around a popular cause. Now President Menem is trying to square the circle, a former Peronist who has abandoned Peronist principles. This even-handed survey maintains the standard of a thoughtful senes (s) (96249)

12.00 Film: Jericho (1991) stamng Cosme Cortazar. The Latin America Cinema season continues with a Venezuelan drama about a 16th-

cantury band of conquistadores brutally repressing the native population. English subtitles. Directed by Luis Alberta Lavata (326992). Ends at 1,35am

EUROSPORT

© Via the Astra satellite 8.00am Slep Aerobas (90539) 8.30 Cycing (86794) 9.30 Fencing (40775) 10.30 Step Aerobas (79046) 11.00 Moiorsport (80626) 12.00 Tennis (4543046) 4.00pm Moior Racing (8978) 6.00 Pharcens Rally (20268) 7.00 Kick Boxing (42317) 8.00 Eurobin (8591) 8.30 News (7626) 9.00 Footbal — Europoals (31201) 10.00 Boxing (18572) 11.30-12.00 Eurosport News (59268)

SCREENSPORT

Wis the Astra satellite
 7.00am NFL — Week in Review (85317) 7.30
 AMA Camel Pro Bikes (77152) 8.00
 Powersports (81591) 9.00 Snooker (43607)
 11.00 Revs (38626) 11.30 Basketball
 Bundestigs (56404) 1.30pm Noire Dame
 College Football (19959) 3.30 World Sports

Special (3775) 4.00 Long Distance Trials (5510) 4.30 Dutch Societ (90997) 5.30 Major League Baseball (31220) 7.30 Indy Car World Senses (35404) 8.30 Brissh F2 Championships (3704) 8.30 PA European Championship (37301) 9.30 PGA European Tour (88301) 10.30 Football Europe (70133) 11.30 Revs (56442) 12.00-12.30a en's Pro Beach Volleyball (44114) LIFESTYLE

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10.00am Cyrll Retcher's Garden (51626)
10.30 Cover Story (77689) 11.00 Gloss (23794) 11.30 The Joan Rivers Show (3568404) 12.15pm Safty Jessy Raphael (2791256) 1.10 Lunchbox (75609317) 1.40 Sels-a-Vison (87327978) 2.10 Permagion Steels (8779559) 3.00 The New Newlywed Game (5404) 3.30 The Mothers-n-Law (1171) 4.00 Dick Van Dyke Show (5558404) 4.40 American Gameshows (8034171) 5.30 Sels-a-Vison (8882) 6.00 Selly Jessy Raphael (11510) 7.00 Sels-a-Vison (9196423) 2.00-3.00am Loss Julebox Dance (82244)

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8.55am Weather
7.00 On Air Andrew Lyle with
music, news and arts stories.
Including Grieg (Two Melodies,
Op 53: Norwegian CO under
Terje Tonnesen); Tallis (Spern
in alium: The Sotteen under
Harry Christophers); Vaughan
Williams (Fantasia on a theme
of Thomas Tallis. London PO
under Bemard Haitink); Lalo
(Norwegian Rhapsody: Suksee
Romande Orchestra under
Ernest Ansermen); Weber Ernest Ansermet); Weber (Overture, Peter Schmoli-Berlin PO under Herbert von

Karajan); Milhaud (Pastorele: London Wind Trio); Brahms (Violin Sonata in G. Op 78.

(Victin Sonata in G. Op 76.
Gyorgy Pauk, victin. Roger
Vignoles, plano)

9.00 Composer of the Week:
Anton Bruckner. Awe Maria
(Bavanan Radio Chorus under
Eugen Jochum); To Deum
(Chorus of the Deutsche
Opera, Berlin; Berlin
Philharmonic Orchestra under
Eugen Jochum); Interme220

Philharmonic Orchestra under Eugen Jochum): Intermazzo and Trio (Alberni Quartet, with Roger Best, viola). Symphony No 1 in C minor — 1896 Linz version (Berlin PO under Herbert von Karajan)

10.30 Morming Sequence: Melvyn Ten plays the earliest published piano sonatas by Ludovico Giustini, dedicated to the heir to the Portuguese throne, interspersed with throne, interspersed with music from baroque Italy and Portugal Vivaldi (Concerto in Gior two mandolins, RV 552: New London Consort under Philip Pickett); Seicas (Sonata No 78 in B flat: Robert Wootley, harpsichord); Vivaldi (Concerto in D. La Pastorella, RV 95); Seivas (Sonata No 12

in C minor) 12.00 Vintage Years: John Amis presents a musical portrait of Elisabeth Schumann

1.00pm News 1.05 BBC Lunchtime Concert The Nash Ensemble, with Lucy Shelton (reciter), live from St John's, Smeth Square, London, Haydn (Flute Trio in D. H XV 16); Schoenberg (Pierrot lunaire)
CHOICE: Anyone licen to make first-time contact with Schoenberg but apprehensive

RADIO 3

generally offers, could do worse than try Pierrot lunairs. It is a cycle of 21 poems, making use of Sprechgesang (fiterally speech-song). It was the late William Mann of The Times, probably more than any other music critic of his day, who helped to dispel sudiences misglyings about Pierrot lunairs by explaining that it is "fanciful, capridious and absurd, as befits a commedia dell'srie circus turn"

2.05 Third Opinion (f)
2.05 BBC Scottlish SO under
Takuo Yuasa performs Berijoz
(Overture, King Lear); Mozart
(Piano Concerto No 17 in G, K
453); Dvořák (Symphony No 7
in D minor)
4.15 Newste for Consert: The first of

in D minor)

4.15 Music for Organ; The first of two programmes in which David Sanger plays the new organ of Bromley Perish Church. Knopfreiter (Toccata Francese); Brahms (Fugue in A flat minor); Hindemith (Sonata No 2); Schoenberg (Variations on a Recitative, Op 40)

5.00 In Tune: Rodney Slatford with

5.00 In Turne: Rodney Statford with massic, news and interviews 7.30 Premiere Ensemble under Mark Wigglesworth, with Susan Bickley, mezzo, periorna Tippett (Concerto for Double String Orchestra); Britten (Carritate, Pheedra; Op 93); George Benjamin (Upon Silence): Tippett (Concerto for Orchestra) g. 15 Werds, with Thomas Suitaliffe.

GRANADA

As London except: 1.45 The Young Doctors (172794) 2.15-2.45 Gerdening Time (164775) 3.20-3.50 A Country Precise (4556775) 5.10-5.40 Home and Array (4132572) 6.00-7.00 HTV News (36794) 10.40-12.30 Film: The Bobo (19549930)

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2.55 Trans World Sport (7788440) 3.55 The
(TV Chart Show (7606331) 4.55-5.30 JobIndice (9743098) S4C

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2.15 Love at First Sight (164775) 2.45-3.10
Dining in France (6165404) 3.20-3.90 Sons and Daughters (4658775) 5.10-5.40 Home and Away (4132572) 6.00 Crast to Coast [201]
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RADIO 4 (s) Stereo on FM 5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing, incl 6.03 Weether 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 6.55, 7.55 Weather 6.45 Business News 7.25, 8.25 Sports News 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.35 The Week on 4 8.43 Morning of a Thousand Stars: The Scottish rumorist John McKay mingles with the stars of the Columbus firm, 1492. Conquest of Paracise [9) 8.58 Weather 9.00 News 9.05 Start the Week,

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Anthony Thiwaite and David
Campbell (s)
10.00-10.30 News; The Matting
Game (FM only). Lionel
Kelleway chairs the natural
history quiz (s)
10.00 Daily Service (LW only) from
St German's Church, Cardiff
10.15 The Hindu Scatptures (LW
only): The Wife Who Defeated
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10.30 Woman's Hour talks to the
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Eric Korn) versus the North
(Paul Barker and Margaret
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But their chance encounter

Orchestra)
9.15 Words, with Thornas Sutciffe, and sector of The Independent 9.20 Microart. Veilinger Cuartet performs String Quartet in D, K499, Hoffmeister
10.00 Chopin: The planist Norma Fisher plays Mazurka in C, Op 68 No 1; Mazurka in C sharp minor, Op 41 No 1; Noctume in C sharp minor, Op 41 No 1; Noctume in C sharp minor, Op 47 No 1; Beroque in D flat, Op 57; Waltz in A flat, Op 42; Fantasy in F minor, Op 49; Ecossaises, Op 40 No 10 No. 10

But their chance ancounter with a group of Contrast triggers a rightmare (a) (f) 3.30 Work Talls: Diane Abbott, Britain's first black woman MP, talks to Ferdinand Dennis about her achievements as a member of the Labour party

Manchestar, Nicola LeFanu talks about her opera Blood Wedding; and Riccardo Cerbello plays the harp (s)
4.45 Five Strange Stories: The Game. Stephen Tompkinson reads the first in a series of tales by A.L. Barker for Hallowe'en week
5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather

5.55 Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News
6.30 The News Quiz (r)
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers (s)
7.20 The Food Programme (r)
7.45 The Monday Play: Bad
Blood, Griselde Gambaro's
tracerly is set in the drowing ragedy is set in the drawing room of a wealthy landowner in the 19th century. Delores (Alex Kingston) defies her tyramical lather and pursues her love for Raphael (John Bertdes).

Padden), a hunchback tutor.
Adapted by Kate Rowland

9.00 That Boy Jones

CHOICE: This is the true ● CHOICE: This is the true story of Edmund Jones, a young chimney sweep who got into Buckingham Palace in 1841, hid under a sote, was sentenced to the treedmill and shipped off to see for five years. As tonight's storyteller Malcolm Jones says, what began as farce turned sinister when the disproportionate nature of his punishment became clear. Not surprisingly, his exploits were reported in the News of the World and Punch What tilled them into a higher category of public

higher category of public interest was that Jones's progress up the ladder of misforume was regularly original in the august columns of the columns. charsed in the august countries of The Times (s)
9.15 Kaleldoscope (s) (r)
9.45 The Financial World Tonight (s) 9.59 Weather
10.00 The World Tonight (s)
10.45 A Book at Bedtime: Lucy, by Jameica Kincald. Read by

Adjoe Andoh (1/5) (s)

11.00 The Goon Show: The China
Story Starring Peter Sellers,
Harry Secombe and Spike 4.05 News
4.05 Kaleldoscope reviews the edited letters of Philip Larkin, and James Baldwin's play
Blues For Mr Charlie in Miligen (r)
11.30 Today in Parliament
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Provisions likely to reach £1.5bn

Regulator eases line on building society losses

BY LINDSAY COOK MONEY EDITOR

THE Building Societies Commission, which regu-lates Britain's building societies, is taking a more relaxed view of the growing number of societies operating at a loss.

societies there is nothing in the Building Societies Act to prevent them reporting a loss and using their reserves to cover the shortfall. Until recently, the commission commonly forced lossmakers to merge with larger and financially stronger societies.

currently analysing figures for the first three quarters of the year and assessing how their

THE Confederation of British

Industry will tomorrow pro-vide evidence that Britain's

economy is sliding into a

quarter industrial trends sur-

vey will paint a grim picture of

declining confidence, exces-

sive stocks, and renewed output falls in prospect.
The results will confirm last

week's British Chambers of

Commerce survey showing the

The only bright spot in the CBI survey of more than

1,400 companies is expected

to be a modest increase in

optimism over export pros-

That may slow the rate at

which output is falling, but is

unlikely to outweigh the dam-

age to business confidence

caused by government disar-

The damage to the econom-

ic outlook was confirmed yes-

terday by a forecast from the

London Business School. It billion, next year.

ray over economic policy.

Results from the CBI's third

CBI survey signals

double-dip slump

Building society regulators are more tolerant of losses. The housing slump may be easing

1992 profits have been hit by the fall in house prices, rises in the number of homeowners in arrears and provisions for bad debts. Many more societies will report losses for the year. Dr John Wriglesworth, of UBS Phillips & Drew, estimates that the top 20 societies will make total provisions 25 cent higher this year at

castrian, has been allowed to report a loss without arrang-

concludes that continued re-

cession has replaced inflation.

as the biggest risk to Britain's

According to LBS, output will continue to fall for another

six months. Unemployment is forecast to rise above 3 million

product next year will be just

1994 does GDP return to its

peak of 1990. Increased pub-

lic spending, rather than a re-

covery in consumer demand,

will account for much of the

eventual output improvement.

before rising to a peak of 5.3

per cent in 1995 because of

devaluation. Currency weak-

ness is forecast to compel a rise

in base rates to 10 per cent to

hold sterling at DM2.40. The

devaluation is also predicted to

result in a further widening of

Britain's trade deficit, to £20

Inflation is expected to fall to 3.3 per cent next year,

would have had to report another loss but was then propelled into the arms of the Northern Rock

In such mergers the com-mission likes the stronger party to be at least ten times the size of the troubled society and if possible 15 times larger Otherwise the merger could weaken the larger society.

Last November, the Town & Country was about to report a loss of £10 million and was forced into a merger with the Woolwich, despite having strong reserves. In the event the Woolwich, whose own profits fell last year by 20 per cent, reported that the T&C lost £43 million in 1991 after

provisions of £60 million.

The speed with which the chief executives of the top five chief executives of the top tive societies were brought together to fix up a partner for the T&C convinced many that the commission would not allow a loss to be reported. Few of the large societies are keen to "rescue" small societies and there are not enough to go round if several were to be financially embarrassed at the

financially embarrassed at the same time. The chief executive of one top ten building society that has been involved in a messy merger, suggests one solution would be for a society in trouble to be broken up. There is nothing in the Act to prevent this, he points out and would allow societies to share the pain and to take the

bits of a society that were

While all the large societies are expected to end the year in profit, those with a South East bias are still having to increase provisions despite falling interest rates. An indication of the problems came in the figures from the Nationwide. The second largest society's months after most other societies. It made provisions of £236 cent to £202 million. The Leeds will be the first to report for 1992 next month. A report last week from Fitch, the

American analyst, said provi-

sions would continue to rise in

1992 and into next year.



Government may raise £5bn on **BT** shares

By Patricia Tehan

THE government is likely to put its final 22.5 per cent of BT up for sale next July, raising up to £5 billion. The decision, due to be confirmed early next year, will coincide with a delay in the sale of its remaining 40 per cent stakes in National Power and

PowerGen, which had been expected to begin in the The last BT share sale was completed in December 1991. The government raised £5.4 billion from the sale of 25.5

per cent. According to the prospectus, the government was restricted from selling any more shares until the third and final share payments on March 2 next year.

In April, the government announced its intention to raise £8 billion this year in privatisation proceeds and £5.5 billion in 1993-4 and 1994-5. The cash helps reduce the size of the public sector borrowing requirement.

A Treasury spokesman said the £8 billion target is likely to be comfortably met from the third BT tranche in March and the redemption of £1 billion of privatised company

debt likely soon.
The final BT share sale would help the Treasury meet the £5.5 billion target for the next financial year, with the proceeds of two, or potentially

The sale of the govern-ment's stakes in National Power and PowerGen hangs on the findings of the review of plans to shut 31 coal mines and on the negotiations for a five-year coal deal between British Coal and the two

THE Marlboro man, the ad-

vertising industry's handsome cowboy, exuding strength and individualism, appears to be losing his

His owner, Philip Morris,

the food and tobacco giant, is

launching a new campaign, showing four tough-looking

males white-water rafting. Wall Street is still shaking off the drenching it got last week after signs that the company's

earnings growth was slowing. It was also disclosed that

distributors had stocks of 16

billion to 20 billion of its

The shares fell almost \$10,

to \$74, wiping more than \$8 billion off the value of the

company. Almost three-quar-

ters of profits come from cigarettes. This year's should be 20 per cent up at \$4.89

MPs prepare to launch energy enquiry

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent THE enquiry into Britain's energy policy gets under way tomorrow when Michael Heseltine, the trade secretary, appears as the first witness

and industry select committee. The hearings, under the chairmanship of Richard Caborn, the Labour MP for Sheffield Central, are expected to be the most closely followed for years. Even though the 11man committee has six Conservative members to Labour's five, the government has no grounds to believe its policy of pit closures will find approval.

before the Commons trade

Among a cast of members well-known for their robust views, Michael Clark, the former chairman of the nowdefunct energy select committee stands out. The conservative MP for Rochford was one of six Tories who voted against the government on last Wednesday's crucial parliamentary debate over the plans, announced by Neil Clarke, the British Coal chairman, who appears before the committee on Wednesday, to dose 31 pits with the loss of

Under Dr Clark, the energy committee produced two scathing reports drawing attention to failures in the postprivatisation electricity market

and their implications for coal. The first, published in July 1991, called for a national energy strategy for the next century. It warned against coal industry based on the short or medium-term strategies of the electricity generating industry. It added: "If a significant proportion of the UK's coal reserves were abandoned, which we hope will not happen, resulting in a major reduction of long-term energy security, the government should understand that the country would see this not as a commercial decision, but as a largely irreversible decision of historic significance for the

Many of the energy committee's concerns were repeated in a subsequent report, published this year, which called for an enquiry into privatised electricity.

broad terms of reference. It will examine Britain's reserves of coal, oil and gas, look at how they are produced and suggest how fuel prices are likely to move in the future. It will then largely pre-empt the 1994 review of the nuclear industry by examining the cost of electricity from all sources, comparing Britain's strategy with practice elsewhere

to assess the impact of pit closures and electricity prices on the wider economy. Finally, it will seek to suggest how Britain's energy might be improved.

Touche Ross under regulators' scrutiny

BY JON ASHWORTH

ACCOUNTANCY regulators are studying Touche Ross's role as auditor to Trafalgar House, the engineering, property and construction group that has been forced by the Financial Reporting Review Panel to restate 1991 pre-tax

profits £102.7 million lower. Touche, which gave the 1991 accounts a clean bill of health under existing accoun-tancy regulations, has been referred to the investigation committee of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. This procedure, automatic in the case of panel rulings, may increase pressure on companies to re-examine their

auditing practices.

If the investigation committee finds a prima facie case for disciplinary action, the matter will be referred to the disci-

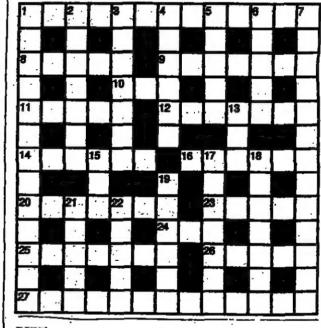
Tobacco giant changes ads to lift flagging sales

Marlboro man bites the dust

plinary committee. This has recourse to a variety of sanctions ranging from a repri-

Trafalgar House, which was forced to reduce pre-tax profits from £122.4 million to £19.7 million because of a property writedown, is the eighth and by far the highest-profile com-pany to fall foul of the panel since the latter was set up in January 1991 to monitor the accounts of large companies.

Ultramar and Williams Holdings were the first to be singled out. Other companies rapped include GPG, Associated Nursing Services, Wil-liamson Tea Holdings and Shield Group. Forte, the hotel group, was singled out for comment, but the panel stressed it was not being CONCISE CROSSWORD NO 2928



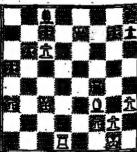
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By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

This position is from the game Szabo — Ban, Budapest 1947. Black's king has no escape square from the back rank. This constitutes a serious lapse in security, which white proceeded to exploit. How? Solution below.



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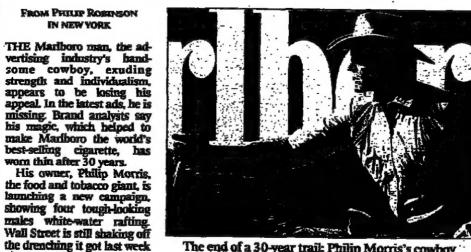
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The end of a 30-year trail: Philip Morris's cowboy

billion, but Salomon Brothers hadly burned in a price war.
has changed its recommenda- Mariboro's American martion from buy to hold and shaved next year's forecast by \$50 million to \$5.79 billion.

The worries are not all the fault of the fading Mariboro man. Philip Morris launched an expensive and, some say, ill-conceived attack on the cheap end of the cigarette

ket share has been falling by 1.3 per cent in the third quarter, to 24 per cent. Recession-hit smokers are sacrificing brand loyalty for price. The company's new promotional campaign, estimated to be costing \$200 million to \$300 million, is designed to